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PRIZE SUPPLEMENT *for* 1903



EXHIBIT OF S. W. TILLEY AT THE CLINTON COUNTY (PLATTSBURGH, NEW YORK) FAIR,
SEPTEMBER 10 TO 13, 1901.

Mr. Tilley resides in Williston, Vermont, and, crossing the State line, won \$43.00, which included the Society's First Premium for best collection.

At the Paris Exposition the Only First Prize on Sweet Peas was awarded to our exhibit of sixty varieties, all produced from our American-grown seed. Large bouquets of Tall varieties were shown in connection with pot-plants of the DWARF CUPID and BURPEE'S BUSH SWEET PEAS. This was pronounced the finest exhibit of Sweet Peas ever made on the continent of Europe. We received also a SILVER MEDAL for Collection of Photographs displayed by request of the United States Government in connection with THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, and showing views of Trial Grounds, Seed Crops, and Seed Cleaning as conducted at FORD-HOOK FARMS.

At the PAN-AMERICAN EXPOSITION, Buffalo, 1901,—not only was our exhibit of Sweet Peas much admired (as were our beds of Begonias, Coleus, and Roses) and awarded premiums, but it was most gratifying to note that all the prize winners in the different classes exhibited by amateurs *were grown also from our seed.*

Our complete Retail Catalogue,—THE FARM ANNUAL FOR 1903,—is FREE on application.

W. ATLEE BURPEE & CO.,

SEED GROWERS. PHILADELPHIA, PA.

The BURPEE PREMIUM at State and County Fairs

We hereby authorize the secretaries of every State Fair in the United States to offer a **cash prize of twenty dollars** for the best collection of Vegetables grown from BURPEE'S SEEDS. We authorize, also, the secretary of every County Fair in the United States to announce, in like manner, a cash prize of five dollars for the best display of the products (Vegetables or Flowers) of BURPEE'S SEEDS.

In Case this offer is not announced in the regular PREMIUM LISTS FOR 1903 of any State or County Fair, and a customer of ours would want to compete, we shall waive this requirement and still **pay the same cash prize,—provided the products of BURPEE'S SEEDS exclusively** have won the Society's regular prize for "Best Display of Vegetables." SHOW CARDS furnished, if desired.

Photographs. We desire to have a photograph of exhibits winning our prize at STATE FAIRS, and in return shall send a dollar, in addition to the prize of \$20.00, to each one sending such a photograph, while for the **best photograph** we will pay a special prize of **ten dollars extra**.

\$100.00 Extra. We will pay also one hundred dollars cash as an extra prize to exhibitor who wins the greatest amount of prizes for products of Burpee's Seeds in 1903. Please write us a complete list, with amounts of money awarded, of all the prizes won at different fairs. To the party whose report reaches the **largest correct TOTAL in cash prizes**, we shall send our check for an extra hundred dollars. ~~☞~~ All reports of prize awards must be received on or before December 10, 1903.

Burpee's Seeds are "Seeds of Success"

Each fall, since we first commenced offering the "Burpee Premium" at State and County Fairs, we have derived much pleasure in reading the various letters and reports from our customers in all parts of the United States, and have been gratified to learn that the strongest competition against the prize winners has been the exhibit of others with the products of BURPEE'S SEEDS.

In the QUARTER-CENTURY EDITION OF BURPEE'S FARM ANNUAL FOR 1901 we devoted several pages to a partial enumeration of the prizes won in 1900, including a *photogravure illustration* of the **First Prize and Sweepstakes** at the New York State Fair, won by MR. E. VAN ALLEN, of Delmar, whose total winnings amounted to **\$361.00 in cash prizes**. The Burpee Special in 1900 was won by MR. DEAN FERRIS, Peekskill, N. Y., whose total winnings were **\$501.75**.

In 1901, MR. ALFRED SWEET, of Glendale Farms, Glens Falls, N. Y., reported that his total winnings from products of BURPEE'S SEEDS **reached the amount of \$957.10** at different fairs, winning in all **1103 first prizes and 153 second prizes**. Mr. Sweet beat all other competitors for the special BURPEE PREMIUM at State and County Fairs in fall of 1901 and hence received "*Our One Hundred Dollar Special*," making his winnings amount to a **total of \$1057.10**.

In last year's *Prize Supplement* we stated that we hardly expected this record to be broken, and as the summer went on we felt sure that the unfavorable weather would have some effect on the awarding of the Burpee Special.

MR. SWEET again is awarded the Burpee Special, his total winnings in 1902 amounting to **Eight Hundred and Eighty-eight Dollars**, which, together with "*Our One Hundred Dollar Special*" brings the total up to **Nine Hundred and Eighty-eight Dollars**, and it will be noticed that this is only a trifle less than Mr. Sweet's total of a year ago.

Although we stated last year that all reports of prize awards must be received on or before December 1, 1902, there are yet at this date (January 20th) a few of the competitors to be heard from. We want to pay every prize that is actually won, but it would aid us greatly if those who compete for the Burpee Premium would advise us just as early as possible. ~~☞~~ For 1903 prizes we must insist that all reports shall be mailed *not later than December 31, 1903*, and we shall appreciate it if our customers will report as *early as possible*. ~~☞~~ We have stated in the prize offer above that all reports must be received by December 10, 1903, but shall consider also (except for the extra prize of \$100.00) all official reports that may arrive during December.

Prizes Won in Fall of 1902,— at State and County Fairs.

In New York. The winner of the Burpee Premium offered for competition at State Fairs was ALFRED SWEET, of Glendale Farms, Glens Falls, N. Y. Mr. Sweet's exhibit only won for him this year the Society's second prize for best display, but he writes us that he was awarded nearly all of the first prizes for the best single specimens. At the NEW YORK STATE FAIR, at Syracuse, Mr. Sweet won **\$162.00** and also won **\$38.00** at the SARATOGA COUNTY FAIR, held at Ballston Spa; **\$105.00** at WASHINGTON COUNTY FAIR, held at Sandy Hill; **\$90.00** at CAMBRIDGE FAIR; **\$20.00** at CLINTON COUNTY FAIR, held at Plattsburg; **\$29.00** at WARREN COUNTY FAIR, held at Warrensburg; **\$36.50** at COLUMBIA COUNTY FAIR, held at Chatham; **\$255.00** at WESTCHESTER COUNTY FAIR, held at White Plains. Mr. Sweet also exhibited at the fair at TRENTON, N. J., where he was awarded **\$52.50** in prizes. Mr. Sweet was also awarded **\$100.00** at DANBURY, CONN., and under date of December 23d writes: "*Your seeds are very true to name* and all our show vegetables this year were grown from Burpee's seeds. At White Plains we did not have as large a display as usual, on account of our corn and late tomatoes not being ripe and the wet weather spoiled our melon crop, but our exhibit took the first prize for best display of vegetables and also for the best farm display. The hottest competition we had was at Trenton, N. J., and they were on your own seeds, so you see *all the good vegetables are raised from Burpee's seeds now*."

As will be seen, Mr. Sweet's total in prizes on the products of Burpee's seeds was **\$888.00**, and as this beat all competitors for the special Burpee Premium at State and County Fairs in the fall of 1902 he was awarded our extra \$100.00 special, bringing the **total amount up to Nine Hundred and Eighty-eight Dollars,—all with the products of Burpee's Seeds exclusively**.

In New York. The products of BURPEE'S SEEDS won many other prizes. MRS. J. HORACE WELLS, Riverhead, was again successful in winning the Burpee Premium at the Suffolk County Fair, held at Riverhead, winning a total amount in cash premiums of **\$23.00** on the products of Burpee's seeds. L. E. WOODCOCK, Watertown, N. Y., writes: "I won first prize on the Burpee exhibit at Jefferson County Fair, held at Watertown, September last. Also used your cards sent me. Won first on market gardener's general display (\$10.00) besides *twenty-eight first prizes and six second prizes* on side displays—**\$45.50** in all. Also won **\$11.50** on flowers, making **\$57.00 total**." Mr. Woodcock won the Burpee Premium offered at this fair in 1901.

In New York.

At the Delaware County Fair, held at Delhi, E. B. SOUTHWORTH, Trout Creek, won the Society's first premium on best display of vegetables, which entitled him to the Burpee Premium also. He won a total amount of **\$148.75** the past season on the products of BURPEE'S SEEDS and writes: "I found your seeds as good as ever this year and shall continue to use them and recommend them to my friends. We have to have good seeds to raise prize-winning vegetables."

H. W. STEVENS, Owego, at the Tioga County Fair, was awarded the Society's first premium for largest and best display of vegetables and was, therefore, entitled to receive the Burpee Premium also, the exhibit being composed entirely of the products of Burpee's seeds.

ELMER O. KENYON, Canton, at the St. Lawrence County Fair, was awarded the Society's first premium for exhibit of vegetables, all grown from Burpee's seeds, which entitled him to the Burpee Premium also, making a total of **\$20.50** cash premiums awarded him on the products of our seeds.

MRS. D. A. HITCHMAN, Schoharie, at the Schoharie County Fair, was awarded sweepstake prize on collection of garden vegetables grown exclusively from our seeds and was, therefore, awarded the Burpee Premium also. She writes us that she won a total amount of **\$81.50** in premiums on the products of Burpee's seeds the past season and also states: "My experience as an exhibitor is that when you desire to be a certain winner at a fair your vegetables or flowers should be grown from BURPEE'S SEEDS. Then your exhibit will be of the highest quality."

MRS. FRANK PHILLIPS, Lockport, was awarded the Burpee Premium at the Niagara County Fair, held at Lockport, and writes: "I am one of your patrons that can recommend your seeds."

MRS. F. E. ARMSTRONG, Avoca, was awarded the Burpee Premium for the best display of flowers grown from Burpee's seeds and exhibited at the Steuben County Fair, held at Bath. When sending us certificate of award Mrs. Armstrong writes: "Mr. C. E. Hunn, of Cornell University, who acted as judge, pronounced my display as especially fine."

Although the Binghamton Industrial Exposition is not a strictly County Fair, we decided to award F. W. JEWELL, Port Dickinson, a special premium of \$5.00 for his display of vegetables at this fair the past season, the products of Burpee's seeds exclusively. He writes us: "Have used your seeds for two years and have endeavored to advertise them to the best of my ability. There are no better seeds grown or more reliable than Burpee's seeds."

ARTHUR LOWELL, Cadiz, at the Franklinville Agricultural and Driving Park Association's Fair, won the Society's first prize on collection of vegetables, which were all grown from our seeds, and while this is not a strictly County Fair, in consideration of the good exhibit made by Mr. Lowell we decided to award him a special premium of \$5.00 this year. He writes: "There was not a seed planted in my garden that was purchased from any other seedsman."

F. E. STEVENS, Glens Falls, won the Society's first premium as well as the Burpee Premium at the Otsego County Fair, held at Cooperstown.

LEWIS J. BRUNDAGE, Starkey, won **\$85.75** in cash premiums the past season on the products of Burpee's seeds at the Yates County Fair. This included the Society's first premium for largest and best display of vegetables. In November Mr. Brundage wrote us as follows: "Your seeds always give me satisfaction and their product scarcely ever fails to win a premium. I rarely buy any seeds of other firms, and when I do I fail to get the results obtained by using Burpee's seeds."

MRS. A. W. WESTERVELT, Taughannock Falls, won the Burpee Premium at the Tompkins County Fair, winning a total amount of **\$13.00** in premiums on the products of our seeds. When advising us of her success in winning our premium she states: "We had the nicest garden we ever raised and I will send you my order for bulbs, vegetables, and flowers next year. Took the premium on vegetables both at Ithaca and Trumansburg. I received a large number of premiums on flowers this year."

ANDERSON BUDD, Ellenville, at the Ulster County Fair, held at Ellenville last August, won the Society's first premium for the best display of vegetables grown from Burpee's seeds and was, therefore, awarded the Burpee Premium.

In New York.

MRS. GEO. DUDLEY, Lyons, won **\$20.00** in cash premiums the past season on products of Burpee's seeds. This included the Society's first prize at both the Wayne County Fair and the Newark Fair. Mrs. Dudley writes us as follows: "All the seeds bought of you last year did very nicely. We bought seeds from different seedsmen to find out which grew best, and we find that yours are ahead of all, so you can expect quite a large order next spring."

MRS. M. F. PIKE, Burke, at the Franklin County Fair, held at Malone, won the Society's first premium on best display of flowers, the product of Burpee's seeds, which entitled her also to receive the Burpee Premium. She writes: "My flowers were much nicer than any others at the fair and attracted a great deal of notice."

In addition to the Burpee Premiums as offered by us at State and County Fairs in 1902, we offered two special premiums in the State of New York as follows:

Floral Exhibition, held at Cohocton, N. Y., a special prize of \$10.00, to be divided as the Society deemed best, on display of Sweet Peas grown from Burpee's seeds. The successful competitors were as follows:

MRS. LEAHY, Cohocton, 1st prize, \$5.00

E. A. HIGGINS, Avoca, 2d prize, 3.00

CHAS. LARROWE, Cohocton, 3d prize, 2.00

Springville Floral Society, Springville, N. Y., a special prize of \$5.00 for display of Sweet Peas.

In California.

W. L. WAYNE, Davis Creek, was awarded the Society's first premium for the best collection of vegetables exhibited at the Modoc County Fair, held at Alturas, which entitled him to the Burpee Premium of \$5.00. This is the third year in succession that Mr. Wayne has been successful in winning this premium.

W. W. FISH, Bayha, was awarded a special prize of \$5.00 by us for his exhibit of vegetables raised from our seeds and exhibited at the Shasta and Trinity Counties Agricultural Association's Fair, held at Redding last September. In speaking of his exhibit Mr. Fish writes: "It was a good advertisement for your seeds. Was awarded by the Society first premium on Cucumbers, Carrots, Beets, Egg Plant, Corn, Beans, Parsnips, Tobacco, Peppers, Onions, and Kaffir Corn." These were all raised from BURPEE'S SEEDS.

In Connecticut.

G. Y. BENJAMIN, Norwich, was awarded the Society's first premium for the best and largest collection of vegetables exhibited at the New London County Fair, which entitled him also to our special premium.

H. D. CROSBY, Brooklyn, at the Windham County Fair, won the Society's regular premium on display of vegetables, which entitled him to the Burpee Premium also. Mr. Crosby writes: "Also took first on Matchless Tomato, Watermelon, Musk Melon, and eight varieties of Squashes." Mr. Crosby won a total amount of **\$50.00** in cash prizes on the products of Burpee's seeds the past season.

DANIEL WAGNER, Bristol, at the Beacon Valley Grange Agricultural and Horticultural Society's Fair, won the Society's regular premium for the largest and best exhibit of vegetables. This fair is not a strictly County Fair, but Mr. Wagner's exhibit being so good we decided to award him a special premium of \$5.00. Mr. Wagner won about **\$60.00** in cash premiums on the products of Burpee's seeds at this fair.

ALFRED SWEET, Glens Falls, N. Y., won **\$100.00** in premiums on the products of Burpee's seeds at the Danbury Fair.

In New Mexico.

MRS. ELIA R. DOOLEY, Farmington, at the San Juan County Fair, won the Society's regular first premium for the best collection of vegetables exhibited at that fair. In notifying us of her success Mrs. Dooley stated: "I received \$10.00 for best display of farm products, \$3.00 for best display of cabbage, and \$2.00 for best display of onions. These were cash premiums; there were also several merchandise prizes given as specials." The total amount of cash premiums awarded Mrs. Dooley on the products of Burpee's seeds was **\$20.00**.

In Illinois.

S. M. RIPLEY, Belleville, again received our special prize of \$20.00 at the ILLINOIS STATE FAIR, held at Springfield. Mr. Ripley writes: "Besides the premium on display of vegetables I was awarded seven first premiums and eight second premiums on separate varieties exhibited. . . . Exhibitors at our State Fair are beginning to realize that if they want to win prizes they must plant BURPEE'S SEEDS. Mr. Ripley won \$50.00 in cash premiums at the Illinois State Fair on the products of Burpee's seeds."

Mrs. ANNA PARRO, Watseka, won our prize at the Iroquois County Fair. She writes: "I will send in my order again in the spring." Mrs. Parro received \$11.25 in cash premiums on the products of Burpee's seeds.

Mrs. C. C. MORRILL, Round Lake, won a total amount of \$11.00 at the Lake County Fair. This amount included our special premium of \$5.00. Mrs. Morrill writes: "I received eight Blue and four Red Ribbons on single entries. I had my exhibit photographed." Mrs. Morrill's exhibit was entirely of flowers.

JOHN M. THOMEN, Greenup, at the Greenup (Cumberland Co.) Fair, was awarded our special prize of \$5.00. This is the third year in succession that Mr. Thomen has received our premium at this fair. He writes: "I also took ten first premiums and four seconds on vegetables grown from your seeds. Onions and Beets were extra fine and proved the attraction of everybody." Mr. Thomen received \$16.25 in cash premiums.

Mrs. R. W. RAYBURN, Champaign, at the Champaign County Fair, won a total amount of \$38.50 (including our special premium of \$5.00) in cash premiums on her display of vegetables, all the products of Burpee's seeds. Mrs. Rayburn also won the Society's first premium on display of vegetables.

The secretary of the Mercer County Fair divided our special premium of \$5.00 and offered \$2.50 for best display of flowers and \$2.50 for best display of vegetables, both exhibits to be exclusively the products of Burpee's seeds. Mrs. EMMA DURSTON, New Windsor, won the premium on display of flowers. She writes: "My flowers from the 'Seeds that Grow' are fine."

MISS ADA NESBITT, Aledo, was the successful competitor at this fair on display of vegetables.

J. ECHTERNACH, Sterling, won our prize at the Great Northwestern Fair, held at Sterling. He writes: "I also took first prize on Burpee's Mixed Sweet Peas."

CHAS. GUNN, McNabb, won our special prize of \$5.00 for the best and largest display of vegetables, products of Burpee's seeds exclusively, at the Magnolia Grange Fair which represents Putnam County.

JOHN SKINNER, Princeton, at the Bureau County Fair, held at Princeton, was awarded first prize for the best display of farm and garden products grown by boy or girl under sixteen, by the Society. As the display was entirely composed of the products of Burpee's seeds we awarded him a special premium of \$5.00.

L. M. CROSS, Carmi, at the fair held by the White County Agricultural Board, was awarded our special premium for the largest and best display grown from Burpee's seeds. Mr. Cross received a total amount of \$10.00 in cash premiums. He writes: "I received nearly all the first premiums. All the vegetables I raise are grown from seed that I get from you."

C. A. NOBIS, Barry, won at the Illinois Valley Fair (Pike Co.) the Society's first premium for best display of vegetables, and as this display was the product of Burpee's seeds he was entitled to the Burpee Premium.

G. M. BARRICK, Oblong, won our special premium of \$5.00 at the Crawford County Fair for the best and largest display of vegetables grown from Burpee's seeds exclusively.

In Idaho.

FRANK L. LEONARD, Boise, was awarded our special premium of \$20.00 for the best display of vegetables grown from Burpee's seeds and exhibited at the Idaho Inter-Mountain Fair. The State of Idaho having again held no regular State Fair this year, we decided to allow our special premium of \$20.00 to be awarded at this Inter-Mountain Fair, held at Boise.

In Indiana.

JOHN MARVEL, Clermont, at the INDIANA STATE FAIR, held at Indianapolis, was awarded the Society's first premium for largest and best collection of vegetables exhibited, and as these vegetables were the products of Burpee's seeds exclusively this award entitled Mr. Marvel to our special premium of \$20.00. Mr. Marvel writes: "From your seeds I took first premium in the County Show on root crops and vegetables, and also in the collection of vegetables I took first premium. First premium on collection of root crops and first premium on collection of tomatoes. The number of premiums taken amounted to \$119.50. The competition was very strong with other parties having vegetables grown from other seeds, yet yours took first premiums in every instance."

Mrs. SARAH E. WALLACE, Fort Branch, won our special prize of \$5.00 for her exhibit at the Gibson County Fair. In sending us certificate of award the secretary of this fair writes that "the display of Mrs. Wallace was simply grand,—good enough for a State Fair."

W. F. TRACY, Rising Sun, was again the successful competitor at both the Lawrenceburg Fair (Dearborn Co.) and the East Enterprise Fair (which represents the counties of Switzerland and Ohio) for the Burpee Premiums. When sending us the certificates Mr. Tracy writes: "I see there is a large growing interest taken toward your seeds and I had a close competition this year."

B. F. WHALEY, Shelbyville, won \$35.00 in cash premiums (including our special premium of \$5.00) at the Shelby County Blue Ribbon Fair. Mr. Whaley won also the Society's first premium for best collection of vegetables. He states: "At the Indiana State Fair I also won first money on Matchless, Trucker's Favorite, and Golden Queen Tomatoes; Rocky Ford Musk Melon (Burpee's Netted Gem); Chinese Giant Pepper; Fordhook Improved Spineless Egg Plant, and collection of Tomatoes, all grown from your seed."

J. D. WHITESIDES, Franklin, won a total amount in cash premiums at the Johnson County Fair of \$40.25. Mr. Whitesides won the Society's first premium on best collection of vegetables and writes: "Were all grown from your seeds, which surpass any I have ever tried." Mr. Whitesides exhibited also at the Shelby County Fair and at the Indiana State Fair, winning at the latter named fair \$27.50.

W. SCOTT HIGEL, Covington, was again awarded this year at the fair held by the Fountain, Warren and Vermillion Trotting and Agricultural Association at Covington the Association's regular first premium for collection of vegetables. These being the products of Burpee's seeds entitled him to our special premium of \$5.00. Mr. Higel writes: "Verily, Burpee's seeds grow!"

J. J. MILHOUS, Valley Mills, was awarded the Burpee Premium on his exhibit of flowers at the Marion County Fair. The secretary of this fair writes: "The committee on awards was unanimous in giving him first premium on his exhibit."

Mrs. MARY THOMPSON, Underwood, at the Henryville Fair, representing Clark County, was awarded by the Society the first premium on collection of vegetables, all the products of Burpee's seeds. Mrs. Thompson, when sending us the secretary's certificate showing she was awarded this premium, stated: "I have thoroughly tested your seeds, and I know that for fertility and truthness to name they cannot be beat. . . . I had the finest display of vegetables ever shown in Clark County, as can be testified to by hundreds of viewers."

In Kentucky.

BERT POPE, Salt River, was successful again this year in winning our special premium of \$5.00 for best display of vegetables as offered in the premium list of the Bullitt County Fair Association. Mr. Pope writes: "I heard several strangers say, as they were looking at the vegetables, Burpee is in the lead at this fair, and I should say his seeds do grow!"

Mrs. E. M. McCARTY, Elizabethtown, at the Hardin County Fair, was awarded the Association's first premium for best display of vegetables, and as these were the products of Burpee's seeds she was entitled also to the Burpee Premium. Mrs. McCarty states: "There were three entries, Burpee's winning first premium. . . . The Giant Peppers held the admiration of the fair, and to the query 'Where can I get seed another year?' the answer was 'From Burpee's.'"

In Iowa.

L. G. CLUTE, Manchester, when sending us certificate this year from the secretary of the Iowa State Fair, writes: "Burpee's seeds were again victorious over both State and county exhibitors. I took *twenty first premiums and three second premiums on twenty-three entries*, so you see when a collection is made up of such stuff it is no wonder my competitors were left. I took \$293.00 at the State Fair and \$68.00 at the Delaware County Fair, making **\$361.00** in all. I wish you could have seen my exhibit at the State Fair." Mr. Clute won the Society's regular first premium at both the Iowa State Fair and the Delaware County Fair for the best and largest display of vegetables. In 1900 Mr. Clute, with the products of Burpee's seeds, won **\$234.00**, and in 1901 his total winnings were **\$348.00**.

Mrs. E. F. GILLFILLAN, Audubon, was awarded our special premium of \$5.00 for the best display of flowers grown from Burpee's seeds. She states when writing us: "I also won first premiums on Dianthus, Pansies, and Carnations."

A. L. GALLUP, Brooklyn, exhibited an exceptionally fine collection of vegetables grown from Burpee's seeds at the Poweshiek County Fair and was awarded the Society's first premium for same, which entitled him also to the Burpee Premium. Mr. Gallup won a total amount of **\$20.00** in cash premiums at this fair.

HARVE OWENS, Moulton, won our premium for the best and largest display of vegetables grown from Burpee's seeds at the Davis County Fair, held at Bloomfield. When sending us certificate showing award of this premium the secretary wrote: "He had an extra large and creditable display, which was a credit to him as well as the firm from whom the seeds came." Mr. Owens writes: "*My Burpee collection created a much larger sensation than any other one thing on the fair grounds during the whole fair.*"

In Kansas.

C. A. COE, Ottawa, was awarded our special premium at the Franklin County Fair, held at Ottawa, and writes: "*Yours are the seeds to plant.*"

GEO. F. ODOR, Newton, exhibited at the Harvey County Fair and won the Society's regular premium for best collection of vegetables, which entitled him to our special premium, as all the vegetables were the products of Burpee's seeds. The Commercial Club at Newton offered three prizes for the best display of farm and garden products, and Mr. Odor was awarded the first prize of \$30.00. Total amount of cash received on the products of Burpee's seeds was **\$36.50**. Mr. Odor writes: "I have sold \$985.00 worth of vegetables this year that were the products of Burpee's seeds, and have \$280.00 worth more on hand to sell that are also products of your seeds, which would make a total of **\$1175.00** grown from **\$27.00** worth of seeds that were purchased this year. I do recommend your seeds to my friends, for BURPEE'S SEEDS SURELY GROW."

In Maryland.

DR. CHAS. LOUNDES, Easton, again won the Burpee Premium at the Talbot County Fair. Dr. Loundes has been the winner of this special premium at the Talbot County Fair for the past three years.

In North Carolina.

HENRY HUNTER, Greensboro, at the NORTH CAROLINA STATE FAIR, held at Raleigh last October, won the Society's first premium on display of vegetables exhibited, and as this display was composed entirely of the products of Burpee's seeds he was awarded also our premium of \$20.00 as offered at State Fairs. Besides this premium, Mr. Hunter was awarded in cash premiums at this fair \$34.00, making a total of \$54.00 on the products of Burpee's seeds. Mr. Hunter was also the winner of the Society's first premium for display of vegetables at the Central Carolina Fair, representing Guilford County. At this fair, in addition to the Burpee Premium, he was awarded by the Society \$30.50 on his exhibits raised from Burpee's seeds, making a total of \$35.50 or a grand total at both fairs of **\$89.50**. He writes: "My crops have all been the best this year, and I am convinced again and again that BURPEE'S SEEDS DO GROW!"

In Maine.

GEO. W. SNOW, Newburgh Village, was the successful competitor this year for the Burpee Premium for the best and largest collection of vegetables grown from Burpee's seeds and exhibited at the Eastern Maine State Fair, held at Bangor. When sending us certificate from the secretary of this fair Mr. Snow writes: "My exhibit from Burpee's seeds was the finest in the hall at the Eastern Maine State Fair. *Burpee's seeds are all right.*" Mr. Snow also won the Society's regular first premium on vegetables at the Waldo and Penobscot Agricultural Society's Fair, which entitled him to our special premium as offered at County Fairs.

Mrs. W. W. MITCHELL, Phillips, at the North Franklin County Fair, won the Society's first premium, receiving the Blue Ribbon, on her display of flowers grown from Burpee's seeds. She was, therefore, entitled to our special premium as offered at County Fairs. She writes: "*I never had such flowers before!*"

S. H. DAWES, Harrison, was again the successful competitor for the Burpee Premium at the Northern Cumberland County Fair, and writes that at this fair he won first premium on everything for which the Society pays premiums. He also states: "At the Bridgeton Fair my exhibit was so far ahead of all the rest that the Society voted me a special premium of \$25.00." The total amount of cash awarded Mr. Dawes on the products of Burpee's seeds amounted to **\$50.00**.

E. R. MAYO, Manchester, won **\$25.25** on the products of Burpee's seeds (including our special premium of \$5.00) at the Kennebec County Fair, held at Readfield.

B. M. PATTEN, Topsham, at the Sagadahoc County Fair, received the Society's first premium on his display of vegetables grown from Burpee's seeds, which entitled him to our special premium also. Mr. Patten received **\$15.00** in cash premiums on the products of Burpee's seeds exhibited at this fair.

MISS HATTIE WOODWARD, Fryeburg, won our special premium at the West Oxford Agricultural Society's Fair, held at Fryeburg. This fair represents the Western portion of Oxford County.

In Massachusetts.

MISS LYDIA T. CHANDLER, Marshfield, was awarded by the Marshfield and Plymouth County Fair, held at Marshfield, the first prize of \$25.00 for display of flowers raised from Burpee's seeds. This entitled Miss Chandler to the Burpee Premium (\$5.00), making the total amount awarded on this exhibit **\$30.00**.

L. S. DAVIS, Hadley, was the successful competitor for our special premium at two County Fairs this year. Besides winning the Burpee Premium at the Hampshire Agricultural Society's Fair, he also won the Society's first premium on display of vegetables, the products of Burpee's seeds. He was also awarded our special premium for his exhibit of vegetables raised from Burpee's seeds and exhibited at the fair held by the Hampshire, Franklin and Hampden Agricultural Society at Northampton. The "Springfield Republican" of October 3d states of this exhibit: "*The display of vegetables raised from Burpee's seeds was one of the most striking exhibits.*" Mr. Davis won **\$24.00** in cash premiums on the products of Burpee's seeds the past season.

Mrs. R. H. GOODHUE, Lowell, was awarded our special premium at the Middlesex North Agricultural Society's Fair, held at Lowell.

In New Hampshire.

JAMES DURWARD, Claremont, won the Society's first premium for collection of vegetables at the NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE FAIR, held at Concord. Mr. Durward won a total amount in cash premiums of **\$60.00** on the products of Burpee's seeds and writes: "I have much pleasure in stating that I am very much pleased with your seeds and shall continue to use them."

J. B. MATHEWS, Laconia, at the Great Laconia Fair, which represents Belknap County and the Laconia Grange Association, took the Society's first prize on his exhibit of vegetables, the products of Burpee's seeds, and was awarded a special premium of \$5.00 by us on this exhibit.

CHAS. A. EVANS, Claremont, made an exhibit of the products of Burpee's seeds at the Sullivan County Fair Association and was awarded the Society's prize for the best and largest exhibit of vegetables.

In Michigan.

In Michigan, as in Maine and Wisconsin, there are two regularly recognized State Fairs. This seems rather unusual, but a careful investigation has satisfied us that both the fairs are recognized in that they receive State aid.

MISS U. MARIA STEVENS, Berlin, won the Burpee Premium at both the State Fairs held in Michigan this year. At the MICHIGAN STATE FAIR, held at Pontiac, Miss Stevens won the Society's first premium for display of vegetables, which entitled her to receive our special premium of \$20.00 as offered at State Fairs. She writes that she also "won first premium on *Fordhook Famous Cucumber*. Your *Chinese Giant Pepper* captured first money. The *Mammoth Pumpkin*, which measured fifty-four inches in circumference, and the *Golden Wax* and *Old Homestead Beans* were the admiration of all who saw them among my collection of vegetables." At the WEST MICHIGAN STATE FAIR, held at Grand Rapids, Miss Stevens won the Society's first premium on collection of vegetables, all grown from Burpee's seeds, which entitled her to the Burpee Premium also at this fair, making a total amount of \$40.00 awarded her by us in premiums this year. As the result of her exhibits Miss Stevens won *fourteen first premiums* and *ten second premiums* on the products of our seeds, making a total amount of \$138.00 received in cash premiums.

MRS. ORSON CADY, Midland, was awarded our special premium of \$5.00 on her display at the Midland County Fair.

JOHN APPS, Berlin, was awarded our special premium at the Ottawa and West Kent Fair, held at Berlin.

JOS. LAURA, West Bay City, won the Burpee Premium at the fair held last September at Bay City by the Bay County Agricultural Society. He writes: "Took first prize on our collection. The secretary was very much pleased with our collection of vegetables as well as our separate specimens. Took twelve first prizes and two second prizes, although the season was so rainy."

In Minnesota.

MRS. R. KRAUSE, Merriam Park, St. Paul, was awarded the Burpee Premium of \$20.00 for the best and largest display of vegetables exhibited at the MINNESOTA STATE FAIR, held at Hamline. Mrs. Krause, when acknowledging receipt of our check, writes: "I showed over fifty varieties of vegetables grown from your seeds. *I got the most premiums on vegetables at the Minnesota State Fair.*" Mrs. Krause also states that the total amount of cash premiums awarded her on the products of Burpee's seeds amounted to \$184.65.

N. C. LAUGESON, Hutchinson, was again successful in winning the Burpee Premium for the best display of vegetables grown from Burpee's seeds at the McLeod County Fair last September. He writes: "*Your seeds grow and are the BEST THAT GROW!*"

C. H. MURPHY, Caledonia, won on the products of Burpee's seeds the past season a total of \$126.00. He sends us a statement as follows: "At Fillmore County Fair I won on your seeds \$82.00," and the Burpee Special of \$5.00, making a total of \$87.00 at this fair. "At LaCrosse Inter-State Fair, \$15.00; at MINNESOTA STATE FAIR, \$24.00. I won a total amount of \$473.00 in premiums on my exhibits at these different fairs, which I claim I could not have won if it were not for BURPEE'S SEEDS, taking the lead over my competitors who had seeds from other houses."

MRS. W. L. MOORE, Little Sauk, won the Burpee Premium on best display of vegetables raised from Burpee's seeds at the Todd County Fair, held at Long Prairie. This makes the fourth time that Mrs. Moore has been successful in winning this premium. She writes: "*Vegetables raised from your seeds nearly swept the prizes at our fair this fall. I took fifteen firsts and seconds, securing first for the fourth year on county collection of vegetables for which there is a good deal of competition.*"

W. G. DEACON, St. Vincent, at the St. Vincent Union Industrial Association's Fair, was awarded our special premium. Mr. Deacon has been the successful competitor for the Burpee Premium offered at this fair for several years and writes: "Besides taking the Burpee Prize at St. Vincent, won twenty-four other prizes on vegetables,—all grown from Burpee's seeds."

In Missouri.

GEO. H. SHEPARD, La Monte, sent us certificate signed by the secretary of the MISSOURI STATE FAIR, held at Sedalia, showing that he had been awarded our premium of \$20.00 for the best collection of vegetables grown from Burpee's seeds.

MRS. R. T. DRAFFEN, Bunceton, won \$11.30 in cash premiums on the products of Burpee's seeds exhibited at the Bunceton Fair, which is the recognized County Fair of Cooper County. This amount includes the Burpee Premium of \$5.00 for best display of vegetables grown from Burpee's seeds.

MISS ANNA E. EBERHARDT, California, won again this year the Society's first premium on best display of garden products at the Moniteau County Fair, which entitles her to the Burpee Premium also. Miss Eberhardt won a total amount of \$20.00 on the products of Burpee's seeds the past season, and when notifying us of her success states: "I won premiums on everything marked in 'Class A' in the catalogue. I used *your seeds only*, and my vegetable display was *grand* and the admiration of all."

MRS. J. A. DURKES, Weston, won the Society's first prize for "*Greatest variety of vegetables, quality considered.*" at the fair held last August by the Platte County Agricultural, Mechanical and Stock Association at Platte City, and was thus entitled to receive our special premium.

MRS. Z. M. HAMPTON, Centralia, at the Centralia New Fair Association, was awarded the Society's first premium on collection of vegetables, all grown from Burpee's seeds. This is not a strictly County Fair, but as Mrs. Hampton went to considerable trouble to make this exhibit we decided to award her a special premium of \$5.00.

MRS. T. J. FIGGINS, Irwin, at the Barton County Fair, held at Lamar last October, won the Society's first premium on best collection of vegetables. When sending us certificate of award Mrs. Figgins writes: "*Have used no other seeds for years.*"

In Nebraska.

R. F. ADKINS, Tecumseh, at the Johnson County Fair, was awarded the Society's regular first premium for best and largest display of vegetables, and these being the products of Burpee's seeds entitled him to receive the Burpee Premium also.

In New Jersey.

RICHARD C. KAIGHN, Haddonfield, at the Burlington County Fair, held at Mount Holly, was awarded the Society's first premium for display of garden vegetables. As his exhibit was composed entirely of the products of Burpee's seeds he was also entitled to the Burpee Premium as offered at County Fairs. Mr. Kaighn won a total amount of \$23.50 on the products of Burpee's seeds at this fair.

In North Dakota.

JOHN W. MILLETT, Bismarck, when sending us certificate from the secretary of the North Dakota State Fair, held at Mandan, writes: "This makes the fourth season in succession I have taken your prize. I captured twenty-seven cash prizes (twenty-three firsts and four seconds), amounting to \$67.00. Besides these I was awarded nine special prizes, so you will see Burpee's seeds got there the same as ever. Had many inquiries at the fair regarding your seeds. Think you will have a largely increased patronage from this State next year."

DUNCAN SINCLAIR, Hamilton, won the Society's first prize on collection of vegetables (the products of Burpee's seeds) at the Pembina County Fair. He writes: "Your Celery took first, Cauliflower second. Your Carrots won first, and was awarded a special for *Australian Brown Onion.*"

**For list of Prizes awarded
at State and County Fairs
in 1901,—see pages 4 to 7 of
The Farm Annual for 1903.**

In Ohio.

GEO. R. CORDS, Plainville, has again this year won the Burpee Premium offered at the Hamilton County Fair, held at Carthage last August, and writes: "I have also received premiums on other single vegetable exhibits which, of course, were also grown from your seeds. As a matter of fact, nearly all the premiums awarded at this fair were on products of BURPEE'S SEEDS." The total amount won by Mr. Cords on the products of Burpee's seeds was \$15.00.

MRS. CYRUS MARKLEY, Ashland, won a total amount of \$14.75 in cash premiums on the products of Burpee's seeds at the Ashland County Fair. Having won the Society's first premium for best display of vegetables and flowers, Mrs. Markley was also awarded our special premium. When writing us of her success in winning our premium she states: "I have been awarded first premium on collection of Tomatoes grown from your seed for the last six years. I am going to send for a large lot of seeds in the spring."

MRS. MARY C. EADES, Bellefontaine, again won the past season the Society's first premium for best and largest display of flowers at the Logan County Fair, and was awarded our special prize as offered at County Fairs.

MRS. J. B. RAPP, Owensville, again won the past season the Burpee Premium at the Clermont County Fair, held at Owensville. Mrs. Rapp's total winnings on the products of Burpee's seeds were \$16.00.

G. B. GREGG, Marysville, at the Union County Fair, won the first prize as offered by the Society on collection of vegetables. When writing us in November Mr. Gregg states: "My vegetables were admired by a great many and I have several names that want your catalogue in the spring. I drew a good many premiums at the State Fair, and about \$25.00 at the Richwood Fair, and \$35.00 in single premiums at the Marysville Fair, besides the garden show."

D. E. HANNA, Cadiz, won a total amount on the products of Burpee's seeds the past season of \$25.00. At the Harrison County Fair was awarded first premium by the Society for the best display of vegetables.

ALBERT BUES, Wharton, having made a fine exhibit at the Wyandot County Fair, principally of squashes and pumpkins, was awarded a special premium of \$5.00 on same. He writes us that he "received more premiums than any other exhibitor in the vegetable line, mostly squashes and pumpkins, which carried away both premiums as best display." These were raised from Burpee's seeds.

In Oregon.

ROBERT DOUGLASS, Albany, when sending us certificate from the secretary of the OREGON STATE FAIR, held at Salem, stating that he was the successful competitor for our special premium as offered at State Fairs, wrote: "I took fifteen first prizes and six second prizes, which I think speaks well for your seeds. It gave me pleasure in showing to the people what your seeds would do. I shall continue to patronize your seeds, as I find them true to name and fully reliable." Mr. Douglass won \$50.50 in cash premiums on the products of Burpee's seeds exhibited at this fair.

In South Carolina.

W. P. COUNTS, Sligh's, having again the past season won the Society's first premium for best and largest display of vegetables at the SOUTH CAROLINA STATE FAIR, held at Columbia, was also awarded the Burpee Premium of \$20.00. Mr. Counts's total winnings on the products of Burpee's seeds the past season amounted to \$46.00.

In Tennessee.

MISS ANNIE LOU MARKS, Grant, was awarded our special premium for best collection of flowers grown from Burpee's seeds and exhibited at the Rome Fair, held at Rome, Tenn.

In Virginia.

J. T. HOFFMAN, Fincastle, was again successful in winning the Burpee Premium as offered at the Botetourt County Fair, and writes us that his total winnings in cash premiums the past season on the products of Burpee's seeds was \$55.00.

In Pennsylvania.

HERMAN C. GOLDBACH, Lancaster, was awarded the Burpee Premium for best display of vegetables grown from Burpee's seeds and exhibited at the Lancaster County Fair. Besides being awarded first premium on collection of vegetables he was also awarded first premium on the following separate varieties: *Oyster Endive*, *Kale*, *Mammoth Sandwich Island Salsify*, *Guernsey Parsnip*, and *White Vienna Kohl Rabi*, and several second prizes, making a total amount in cash premiums of \$21.50 on the products of Burpee's seeds.

GEORGE WAGNER, Huntsville, took \$15.00 in cash premiums on the products of Burpee's seeds at the Dallas Union Agricultural Association's Fair, held at Dallas. This fair represents Luzerne County.

J. E. COLE, Westfield, won the Burpee Premium at the fair held at Westfield by the Cowanesque Valley Agricultural Society, which is the representative fair of Tioga County.

MRS. L. M. MATHEWS, Le Raysville, again won the Burpee Premium for best display of flowers grown from Burpee's seeds and exhibited at the Bradford County Fair, and also won the Society's first premium on same exhibit. When writing us of her success she states: "My Nasturtiums were something beautiful, also my Phlox. My Dahlias were also nice."

The secretary of the Mercer Fair Association made a mistake and offered two Burpee Premiums in the premium list of the fair, one for best display of vegetables and one for best display of flowers. We do not consider this fair a strictly County Fair, but as the error in announcing these premiums in the premium list was entirely the fault of the fair authorities we decided it would not be right to disappoint the successful competitors, therefore awarded each a special premium as follows:

For best display of flowers, Mrs. C. S.

HINKLEY, Mercer,\$5.00.

For best display of vegetables, Mrs.

JAS. B. BELL, Mercer,\$5.00.

Both of the above parties were awarded the Society's first premium on their respective collections also. Mrs. Bell wrote us: "I felt very proud of my display, and when asked where I got my seeds replied that my exhibit was grown from BURPEE'S BEST SEEDS THAT GROW."

At the Great Allentown Fair (which is the representative County Fair of Lehigh County) a mistake was made by the secretary in issuing two certificates for the Burpee Premium, and rather than disappoint either one of the competitors we decided this year to pay the premium to both. We therefore awarded Messrs. GEO. M. REX & SON, Stettersville, \$5.00 and Mrs. S. PRESTON KUNTZ, Treichlers, \$5.00. In acknowledging receipt of our check Messrs. Rex & Son write: "We do not hesitate to say that your seeds have given entire satisfaction in every respect." Total amount won in cash premiums on the products of Burpee's seeds was \$15.00.

Mrs. S. Preston Kuntz was also successful in winning the Society's first premium at the fair held at Bethlehem this year, which entitled her to the Burpee Premium also. Mrs. Kuntz won a total amount on products of our seeds of \$15.00 and writes that at the Bethlehem Fair "the attendants told me that I had the finest display. Dozens of people stood and admired my vegetables."

In 1901 HERMAN C. GOLDBACH, Lancaster, was awarded first prize at the STATE FAIR. The past fall there was no State Fair held in Pennsylvania.

In Washington.

W. L. WRIGHT, North Yakima, was awarded the Burpee Premium for best collection of vegetables grown from Burpee's seeds and exhibited at the WASHINGTON STATE FAIR.

Mr. Wright won a total amount in cash premiums of \$132.00 on the products of Burpee's seeds, being awarded a special premium on his exhibit by the State Fair Association of \$100.00. He writes: "I consider Burpee's seeds the best and use no others."

In West Virginia.

MRS. LAURA L. STONE, Ripley, at the fair held by the Evans Fair Association (representing Jackson County), was awarded the Society's first premium for best collection of flowers and vegetables, all the products of Burpee's seeds. Mrs. Stone wrote us regarding her exhibit: "I was awarded eleven single prizes besides the one on best collection."

In Wisconsin.

Like Maine and Michigan, Wisconsin has two official State Fairs. At both these fairs the first prizes were again awarded this year to our customers.

JOHN GRAPE, Waukesha, was successful in winning the Burpee Premium of \$20.00 for the best collection of vegetables grown from our seeds and exhibited at the WISCONSIN STATE FAIR, held at Milwaukee. Also the Burpee Premium of \$5.00 as offered at County Fairs, at the Waukesha County Fair, held at Waukesha. Mr. Grape won a total amount in cash premiums the past season on the products of Burpee's seeds of **\$174.00**, including the Burpee Premiums, and writes: "At the State Fair I took eighteen firsts and fourteen seconds on vegetables raised from your seeds. At Waukesha County Fair I took all the first premiums on flowers. Of course, that could only be done with BURPEE'S SEEDS, which not only grow but grow into money!"

JOSEPH WARD, Eau Claire, for the third year in succession has won our special premium as offered at State Fairs for the best collection of vegetables grown from Burpee's seeds and exhibited at the NORTHERN WISCONSIN STATE FAIR, held at Chippewa Falls. In a letter to us notifying us of his success this year he writes: "I got twenty-five first premiums, thirteen second premiums, and three third premiums, and your special premium of \$20.00, making a total of \$92.00 at the Northern Wisconsin State Fair. I got \$18.00 at Eau Claire Street Fair, all on Burpee's seeds." This shows a total amount won of **\$110.00**. Mr. Ward sent us a very fine photograph of his exhibit at the Northern Wisconsin State Fair the past season, and was awarded our special prize of **\$10.00** as offered for the best photograph of a State Fair Exhibit.

Mrs. D. BLASS, Portage, at the Columbia County Fair, was awarded the Burpee Premium for the best display of vegetables grown from Burpee's seeds.

JOHN F. BRANDT, Merrill, at the Lincoln County Fair, held at Merrill, won the Society's first premium on largest and best display of vegetables, and as these were the products of Burpee's seeds exclusively received also the Burpee Premium. He won **\$35.50** in cash premiums on the products of our seeds. Mr. Brandt writes: "I won last year all the different prizes on my vegetables. Also this year I took twenty-seven first prizes on twenty-seven different varieties and the first prize for best display of vegetables. This is certainly a good testimony for BURPEE'S SEEDS THAT GROW!"

The secretary of the Walworth County Fair, held at Elkhorn, made a mistake and awarded two premiums at this fair,—one for best collection of flowers and one for best collection of vegetables. The premium for the best display of flowers was awarded to Mrs. JAS. G. KESTOL, Whitewater, who won a total amount of **\$14.00** on the products of Burpee's seeds the past season. The offer as announced in the premium list of this fair was for the best collection of flowers grown from Burpee's seeds.

The secretary of the Walworth County Fair issued a certificate to Mr. CASPER OLSON, Geneseo, for the best collection of vegetables grown from Burpee's seeds, and we awarded a special premium of \$5.00. Mr. Olson won in cash premiums the past season, on the products of our seeds, a total amount of **\$102.00** and wrote us: "At Waukesha I received fourteen first and eighteen second premiums. Milwaukee State Fair, twelve first and eleven second premiums. At Elkhorn, twenty-three first and nineteen second premiums. I took first prizes at the State and Elkhorn Fairs on the Red, White, and Yellow Onions, Chinese Giant Pepper and World Beater Cabbage. The Giant Gibraltar Onion weighed two and a half pounds and the Chinese Giant Pepper seventeen ounces. In fact, I cannot complain, for they all did equally as well. As the vegetables were all grown from Burpee's seeds they cannot be beat."

R. M. DUNLAP, Baraboo, won the Burpee Premium of \$5.00 for best collection of vegetables raised from Burpee's seeds and exhibited at the Sauk County Fair, held at Baraboo.

W. W. POWELL, Viroqua, at the Vernon County Fair, was awarded our special premium for the best display of vegetables, and when advising us that he won a total amount of **\$21.00** on the products of our seeds the past season states: "Your seeds are surely good and I do not hesitate to recommend them to others."

In Wisconsin.

FRANK J. LINDLEY, Fox Lake, at the Dodge County Fair, held at Beaver Dam, was again awarded this year our special premium for best collection of vegetables. Mr. Lindley writes: "I won **\$54.00** worth of premiums on vegetables raised from your seeds. Your seeds are O. K."

E. E. COLIEN, Manawa, was awarded a special premium of \$5.00 by us for his exhibit at the New London Fair. Concerning this exhibit he writes: "It was by far the best large exhibit of fine vegetables, but I was barred from the Society's prize for largest and best display on account of not having specified my entry to compete for it. Otherwise I would have won it easily."

Mrs. SADIE CLEMMONS, Portage, having won the Society's first premium for best and largest display of flowers, all grown from Burpee's seeds, at the fair held by the Kilbourn Inter-County Fair, we decided to award her a special premium of \$5.00 as this is not a strictly County Fair. She writes: "I also won first on your Fordhook and Hubbard Squashes. I had splendid success with both vegetable and flower seeds bought of you last spring. Burpee's seeds are the seeds that grow!"

In South Dakota.

GEO. W. MINES, Yankton, at the SOUTH DAKOTA STATE FAIR, was awarded the Society's first premium of \$25.00 for the best display of vegetables, the products of Burpee's seeds exclusively. When sending us certificate of award the secretary of the South Dakota State Fair also stated: "Mr. Mines had the finest exhibit on the grounds and deserved the premium." When acknowledging receipt of our check Mr. Mines wrote: "I took twenty-seven first and twelve second premiums, and would have taken a great many more, only I did not understand it right and entered as farm exhibit, but I came out all right anyway. Last spring I bought one dollar's worth of seeds from your house. You also sent me 25 cts. worth extra. Well! I must say it was the best dollar ever invested. I received first prize at the State Fair (\$25.00), also twenty-seven first prizes and twelve seconds, for which I received \$60.00. Also your prize of \$20.00 and nine special prizes which amounted to about \$17.00, making a total amount received for prizes of **\$97.00**. Besides, I sold my exhibit for \$25.00; also sold about \$12.00 worth of vegetables, besides having all the vegetables I needed for my own use. I have gotten **\$134.00 out of that one dollar**. That is why I say it was the best dollar I ever invested. It was the first time I ever used your seeds, and I will say they gave me the best satisfaction of any."

E. B. SWARTHOUT, Sioux Falls, won **\$23.00** in cash premiums the past season at the Minnehaha County Fair on the products of Burpee's seeds, including the Burpee Premium of \$5.00. He writes: "I had the distinction of receiving the largest number of premiums of any single competitor at the fair."

In Canada.

At the Nova Scotia Provincial Exhibition, held at Halifax, N. S., our special premium of \$5.00 for the best collection of vegetables raised from Burpee's seeds was won by EDGAR E. MACKINLAY, Halifax, N. S. He advised us that he received twenty prizes this fall on the products of our seeds, amounting to **\$40.00**.

At the Provincial Exhibition held at St. John, N. B., we offered, through Geo. Y. Dibblee, of Fredericton, N. B., a special prize of \$15.00 to be offered for either vegetables or flowers grown from Burpee's seeds as decided upon by the Association. This amount was awarded as follows:

A. & C. A. HARRISON, Mauderville, N. B., first prize, \$7.00,—vegetables. Total amount won on the products of Burpee's seeds, **\$74.00**.

BERTRAND GOODSPEED, Penniac, N. B., second prize, \$3.00,—vegetables. Total amount won on the products of Burpee's seeds, **\$12.00**.

C. LEONARD HAY, St. John, N. B., \$5.00 on display of Sweet Peas. Total amount won, **\$7.00**.

At the Provincial Exhibition, held at New Westminster, B. C., WM. A. DASHWOOD-JONES, of New Westminster, B. C., was awarded a special premium of \$5.00 for the best and largest collection of Sweet Peas. He writes: "There were four competitors and I was fortunate enough to win the prize. Collection consisted of thirty-six varieties. I succeeded in taking the majority of the cut-flower prizes with your seeds."

Particulars of Award of Prizes Offered in Last Year's Farm Annual

Again, as in previous contests for these prizes, we have to thank our friends and customers for the great interest that they have shown in the cultivation of our novelties, and for the exceptionally successful results obtained from their careful and intelligent cultivation.

It is our invariable rule to thoroughly test all new varieties in our own grounds at FORDHOOK FARMS, or to have the fields of the growers personally inspected by our skilled representatives before offering any novelty to our customers. This makes us thoroughly familiar with the merits of the variety under ordinarily favorable conditions of soil and cultivation, as we do not attempt any special cultivation of these novelties ourselves (our own grounds being simply a busy workshop, with thousands of trials each season); and we are, therefore, frequently surprised when the reports are sent us in the fall by the splendid results obtained with these new varieties in the skillful hands of our customers.

We regard these reports, coming as they do from all sections of the country, as of the greatest value in determining the merits of a new variety and its desirability under different conditions of soil and climate, and offer a few suggestions for reports in the prize offers for 1903.

We are familiar with the general characteristics of the variety in question, but want to know how it succeeds with you, therefore ask that you give us a brief outline of the character of the soil in which the novelty is planted, methods of cultivation, and if season is favorable or unfavorable for best results. We ask you also to observe the growth of the plants; whether they are unusually vigorous and exempt from disease and insects or otherwise, as compared with standard varieties in your locality, and what in your opinion are the most distinctive features in growth, fruit, or flower between the novelty and the older varieties that you have been growing. We also ask for your opinion of the table or market qualities of new vegetables, or the beauty of the new varieties of flowers, and that you make mention of any distinct feature in habit of growth or fruiting that you may observe. These suggestions are not to be considered as criticisms on the reports that have been sent us in this and previous contests, being merely suggestions to those of our customers who have not heretofore competed for the cash prizes which we offer for these reports, and who might be deterred from sending in reports through not knowing what to write about. What we want to know is how the variety has grown with you; what *you* think of it and how *you* like it.

We are much gratified by the very large number of reports that have been sent us in competition for the prizes offered in 1902, and by the splendid results obtained with the various novelties in all sections.

CABBAGE,—BURPEE'S DANISH ROUNDHEAD.—We have never sent out a cabbage for trial which has met with such unanimous approval with growers in all sections as has this splendid hard-heading winter variety. The reports show that it has withstood both severe droughts and heavy floods in different sections, and that it produced better results under these adverse conditions than any other variety. Even in the most favorable sections for growing cabbage experienced growers have reported that the new DANISH ROUNDHEAD is preferable in every way to the *Danish Ballhead*. The heads, maturing about two weeks earlier, are set on shorter and heavier stalks, so are less liable to become bent over in storms. The heads average larger in size than those of the *Ballhead*, and are heavier in weight than heads of even larger size of the best American varieties, being extremely hard and solid, with interior leaves blanched to the purest whiteness; sweet flavor and crisp, tender texture. The great weight of the heads of this variety as compared with that of all other varieties was commented upon by visitors to our Trial Grounds at FORDHOOK FARMS the past summer. When these heads were cut from the stalks for careful inspection or to show the distinctly round shape, "*As hard as a bullet and as heavy as lead*," was the usual comment. The reports show also, as well as our own trials, that this new variety has less outer foliage and is better able to resist blight than the *Danish Ballhead*, being, in most sections, quite as strong and vigorous in growth during the hot summer weather as the best American types. To the grower who produces the trimmed cabbage on contract the increased weight of the heads will add greatly to the amount received for his crop, while the beautiful whiteness and crisp sweet flavor will commend it to the packer and consumer.

FORDHOOK FAMOUS CUCUMBER.—The reports all unite that this is the finest long cucumber ever offered to the gardening public, the fruits being uniformly the largest and best wherever planted. Many of these reports tell of very much larger fruits than any we have ever grown at FORDHOOK FARMS even of this mammoth variety, and these fruits of immense size are described as being always straight in shape and retaining the deep rich green skin together with the crisp flesh and fine flavor at a much later stage of development than was the case with the smaller fruits of other varieties grown under similar conditions. The reports all speak of the strong healthy growth of vine and the great number of fruits produced by the FORDHOOK FAMOUS, in spite of their superiority in size, as compared with other sorts, and describe these fruits as being extremely fleshy even when full grown, having a small seed cavity, and the seeds themselves were comparatively small in size.

WATERMELON,—BURPEE'S HALBERT HONEY.—In sending out a new variety of watermelon to win a place by its superior quality we knew that it would require a splendid fruit to surpass the *Kleckley Sweets*. The reports received from the purchasers of the HALBERT HONEY prove our judgment of this new variety was not mistaken, and that in this variety we have the very finest melon now in general cultivation. The reports all speak of the good growth of vine and fruitfulness of the HALBERT HONEY, the smooth, regular outline, attractive deep green coloring of the skin and brilliant crimson of the fine-grained flesh, and very narrow dividing line of white constituting the rind. The flesh is exceptionally crisp and melting, highly colored, and of the finest flavor. All reports unite in stating that wherever the fruits of the HALBERT HONEY were offered in market they sold readily at the highest prices even when the markets were glutted or over-supplied with melons.

RADISH,—BURPEE'S NEW "HAILSTONE."—Offered for advance trial under the name of Burpee's "White Button." When offering this quick-growing white radish in the FARM ANNUAL for 1902 we thought that some of our customers might be able to suggest a more euphonious name than "White Button" or "White Turnip" for such a crisp, snowy-white root, so offered a prize for the most appropriate name suggested. From the names sent in we have selected "HAILSTONE," not only on account of its hard crisp flesh and exceeding whiteness but also on account of the celerity with which it grows. All the reports sent in speak of the extreme rapidity of growth of this new variety, and in some instances they were large enough for the table in fifteen days from the time that the seed was sown! This radish is not only of remarkably quick growth, but is also distinct in that the flesh will remain crisp and solid for a longer period than it will in the round or ball-shaped early varieties which quickly become soft and pithy in the center unless gathered as soon as they are large enough for use. Another distinct advantage noted in the reports is the remarkably small amount of foliage or top produced by this variety; a full-grown radish having only three or four leaves in addition to the small seed-leaves, and these are seldom more than two inches in length, so that a very large number of radishes can be produced in a small space, and frequent repeated sowings of seed will give an ample supply of crisp, tender radishes even in the small city garden.

BURPEE'S NEW "DAINTY" SWEET PEA.—Sent out for advance trial under the name of "White with Pink Edge." From the names suggested by our customers we have selected that of "DAINTY" as most fittingly describing the delicate blending of colors and exquisite beauty of the flowers. The reports sent in all speak of the strong vitality of the seed and great vigor of growth combined with a long season of bloom. It is generally described as producing large flowers in clusters of three, or occasionally four, at the top of a long, stiff stem; strongly fragrant and most beautifully shaded at the outer edges of the large silvery-white standards and wings with the most delicate pink tint when first opened, the color deepening in tone and becoming suffused over the entire flower after it has become fully expanded.

TOMATO,—PROLIFIC GIANT.—Sent out for advance trial in 1901 and 1902 under the name of "New Large Early." As our own plantings of this new large-fruited variety were not as satisfactory (owing, perhaps, to a cool wet season and heavy soil) as in previous seasons we are greatly surprised to find that many of the reports sent us concerning our "Large Early" were quite enthusiastic regarding its merits.

Award of Prizes on Sweet Pea, White with Pink Edge, now known as Burpee's Dainty Sweet Pea.

For Name.

\$10.00 to EDGAR A. HIGGINS, Avoca, N. Y.

For Postal Card Reports—Five Prizes of \$2.00 each to:

EDGAR A. HIGGINS, Avoca, N. Y.
C. G. ADDISON, Springfield, Md.
REV. J. REYNARD LAWRENCE, Box 47, Lanesboro, Mass.
ALBERT WM. BOERGER, Gardenville, N. Y.
C. LEONARD HAY, 134 Orange St., St. John, N. B., Canada.

Five Prizes of \$1.00 each to:

MISS IDA A. MELLEN, Box 176, McLean, N. Y.
MRS. M. L. HINDS, Kenwood, N. Y.
JOS. H. SPERRY, Clinton, Conn.
REV. JOHN H. EARL, JR., Wells Bridge, N. Y.
MISS HARRIET A. NYE, Fairfield Center, Maine.

C. LEONARD HAY, 134 Orange St., St. John, N. B., Canada, September 25, 1902, writes: "White with Pink Edge' Sweet Pea is a beautiful graceful flower, having the fragrance of the Mayflower and color resembling that of the Apple Blossom; the standard is white, edged with pink, the wings only slightly tinged with pink. The stems are stout and grow from twelve to fourteen inches long, bearing three and four flowers, all facing the same way. It is very prolific, growing from eight to ten feet high. It is unexcelled by any Sweet Pea known."

First Prize Report.

EDGAR A. HIGGINS, Avoca, N. Y., September 29, 1902, writes: "Last spring I bought two packets of your novelty SWEET PEA,—'White with Pink Edge.' Planted March 27th, nearly all of the forty seeds germinated, thus showing exceptional vitality. The vines grew vigorously and began blooming profusely June 25th. The splendid flowers are very large, strikingly beautiful, and gracefully set on the long stout stems. The color is a pure white with the edge of the petals most daintily tinted with exquisite pink. I exhibited a vase of specimen blooms at the FLORAL EXHIBITIONS at Cohocton, Hammondsport, Avoca, and Springville, where it was enthusiastically admired by hundreds, and at each place it was honored by the judge giving it a 'SPECIAL AWARD OF EXCEPTIONAL MERIT,'—a distinction that all conceded it richly merited. The vines have been entirely free from blight, the bloom continuous and profuse throughout the season. On my desk, as I write (September 29th), are some fine flowers cut to-day from vines that began blooming in June. For continuity of bloom I consider this a remarkable record. In view of its merits, too briefly mentioned, I regard this novelty as a rare and welcome acquisition to the list of high-grade sweet peas and I predict for it speedy and permanent popularity."

Prize Reports on "Dainty" Sweet Pea,—Continued.

Nearly Always Four to a Stem.

REV. JOHN H. EARL, JR., Wells Bridge, N. Y., September 25, 1902, writes: "For many years we have made a specialty of sweet peas, having quite a local reputation for our beautiful flowers, and we have always procured our seed of you annually. Though we have tried other seed it has only been enough to satisfy us that Burpee's are best as 'proved by test.' For a number of years Mother and I had some design and many bouquets at the church from Sunday to Sunday and used to give the flowers away in small bunches to those who stayed to the Sabbath School. . . . Have been much interested this summer in the New Pea 'White with Pink Edge'."

"This variety has proved its right to a place in the foremost rank. Although the season in central New York has been unfavorable it has seemed to overcome all difficulties, for the vines have attained a height of from eight to ten feet and have borne for several weeks a great profusion of blossoms. *These are of large size and nearly always four to the stem.* One stem with its quartette of blushing beauties measured thirteen inches in length and was only a sample of many others. The flowers when opening are a delicate creamy white with a dainty pink edge on the standard, but once fairly kissed by the sunshine a delicate flush suffuses both wings and standard, though still deeper at the edges. The stems are always erect and stiff and the flowers very lasting, making it a most satisfactory decorative variety. We are more than pleased with this dainty but distinct new pea, and prophesy and plead for it a place with the standard varieties, many of which it has outvalued for us."

Blooms Continuously and Profusely.

MISS HARRIET A. NYE, Fairfield Center, Maine, September 23, 1902, writes: "The New Sweet Pea 'White with Pink Edge' has proved highly satisfactory. A mixture of other choice varieties was planted at the same time under conditions which were not favorable during the first of the season. But 'White with Pink Edge' set the pace for them all, germinating as readily and growing as thriftily as any and much better than some. It was among the very first to blossom and *has bloomed continuously and profusely.* The blossoms are large, often borne four upon a stem, and are of a most charming and delicate beauty, quite suggestive of a sea-shell. The newly opened flowers are of a pale whiteness with slight borderings of pink, but with age they take on a deeper tint until the standard is over-spread with a roseate flush, deepest at the edge. The wings also are bordered with pink. This variety cannot receive too much praise."

"As you wish for suggestions for a name for your New Sweet Pea 'White with Pink Edge,' described on page 88 of your catalogue for 1902, I will offer one name for your consideration. After giving the pea a trial in our garden this season, I think that 'Sea-Shell' would be a very appropriate name for it, as the delicate shell-like standard of white faintly tinged and bordered with pink seems quite suggestive of certain pearly pink-tipped sea-shells I have seen. This name would seem to be sufficiently descriptive while at the same time it would appeal to the imagination. I am much pleased with this variety. It has been greatly admired this summer."

"I will also say that the sweet pea sent out for trial under the name (or designation) of 'Q' has been highly satisfactory. I consider it a beautiful variety, quite distinct and a pretty companion for the new 'Sea-Shell.' It seems to be a very thrifty grower, with blossoms of large size and of unique and delicate coloring. It bloomed early and profusely."

Of the Largest Grandiflora Type.

ALBERT WILLIAM BOERGER, Gardenville, N. Y., September 16, 1902, writes: "About your New Sweet Pea, 'White with Pink Edge,' of which I purchased a packet for trial: It has proved with me a strong healthy grower, producing to the last three or four flowers of the *largest grandiflora type*, on stems of great length and stiffness, being unsurpassed in this respect only by my new variety of which I send you seeds for trial under separate cover. The flowers when first opened are white, but when fully developed have a distinct pink edge, being one of the most delicately beautiful varieties I have ever seen."

Very Lovely and Dainty.

MISS IDA A. MELLEEN, McLean, N. Y., September 23, 1902, writes: "Last spring I bought a packet of Sweet Pea seed, 'White with Pink Edge,' unnamed. We wish to report that we are very much pleased with it. We consider it a great addition to your already beautiful collection of sweet peas. It is very lovely and dainty. So many prefer a pink-and-white sweet pea that we predict it will be a great favorite with flower lovers, and who does not love Sweet Peas? It is quite a novelty, being marked so differently from all other pink-and-white ones. It has been a bad season for them; notwithstanding ours were in an unfavorable place it gave us some beautiful blossoms when others that were better cared for failed to bloom. Its long stiff stems make it so nice for bouquets, and as we sell flowers it will make a good flower for us to raise. Its exquisite coloring and fine form make it very pleasing. We think under better conditions it will prove a great bloomer, and as it is white first and changes to pink it seems like two kinds in a bouquet."

An Exceedingly Dainty Variety.

MRS. M. L. HINDS, Kenwood, N. Y., September 27, 1902, writes: "Sowed 'White with Pink Edge' Sweet Pea in two different soils. In one it proved an absolute failure, even the vines dying down. In stronger soil it grew well, blooming shyly. In common with other varieties it suffered from blight in the month of August and bloomed no more. It is, however, a very pretty sweet pea, being of good size and substance, and having a pretty form, but is not a hooded variety. The banner is a clear white delicately speckled with pink on the outer side. A threadline of pink ornaments edges of both banner and wings and runs down the outer fold of banner. The keel is white. Markings are very similar to those of Lottie Eckford, it being pink where that is blue, with less color. An exceedingly dainty variety."

Decidedly One of the Loveliest.

C. G. ADDISON, Springfield, Md., September 22, 1902, writes: "I find the New Sweet Pea 'White with Pink Edge' to be one of the most charming of all the lighter varieties. *Grandiflora in type, medium early, and a profuse bloomer with three to four blossoms set well to the end of long stiff stems,* many with double standards. The bud just before opening is of primrose shade, with a streak of red along the spine; when fully expanded the white standard is suffused with a delicate tint (like a maiden's blush), the coloring being deeper along the edges and down the center. The wings are pure white with a narrow margin of pink around the edges. Decidedly one of the loveliest I have ever grown, and my trials have included nearly all of Burpee's introductions and many others."

Of Fine Form and Very Fragrant.

JOSEPH H. SPERRY, Clinton, Conn., September 4, 1902, writes: "New White Sweet Pea with Pink Edge: The seeds were planted the middle of April along with twenty other varieties bought of Burpee. The growth is vigorous. The vine is heavy and strong, with abundant foliage. The height is about five feet. *The stems are long and stiff and there are on each three or more flowers,* which are large, of fine form, and very fragrant. The flowers open nearly white but at once put on a pink edge. The vines at present writing (September 4th) are green still and full of good flowers, and are in these essential points unsurpassed by any of the other twenty varieties and equaled by few."

Blooms Profusely.

REV. J. REYNARD LAWRENCE, Box 47, Lanesboro, Mass., September 19, 1902, writes: "I would suggest that you call your New Sweet Pea 'White with Pink Edge'—'William Penn.' Have been interested in the trials this year. It begins to bloom fairly early; in fact, soon after the first-earlies, and blooms profusely until vines are full of seed-pods, or, if blooms are kept picked, until frost cuts vines. Flowers are three to a stem (occasionally four) and stems of good length. Color, wing, and standards white or fleshy white with pink edge. Pink seems to be on back of flower, showing through on wings and standards, but prettiest effect is where standards curl over in hooded form. A dainty hood, pink trimmed. Bloom large and nearly all hooded."

Award of Prizes on Burpee's White Button Radish, now known as Burpee's "Hailstone" Radish.

For Name.

Our offer was, "If any one after trying this new variety can suggest a better name, which we shall adopt, we will pay \$25.00 for same." Of the names suggested the one we decided to be the best was "HAILSTONE," and as this was suggested by seven different persons we decided to pay \$4.00 to each:

MARY E. HAUGH, Naponee, Neb.
MISS OLIVE E. DOUGLASS, Fredericksburg, Iowa.
LENA E. MCKAY, Macon, Mo.
MRS. L. L. DUNHAM, Spring Garden, Ill.
F. R. NAUMAN, R. R. No. 1, Roanoke, Ill.
MRS. SOPHIA I. TUTTLE, R. F. D. No. 1, Mankato, Minn.
MRS. WINNIE MCDANIEL, Wynnewood, Indian Ter.

For Postal Card Reports.

First prize of \$5.00 to MRS. AURAH L. CUNNINGHAM, Bunker Hill, W. Va.

Twenty-five Prizes of \$1.00 each to:

J. FREEMAN KALE, Bristolville, Ohio.
MRS. S. B. LOVELAND, Box 138, Pittsford, Vt.
MISS DALA SPARKS, Mineral City, Ohio.
REV. J. REYNARD LAWRENCE, Box 47, Lanesboro, Mass.
EDWARD N. BARRETT, Bedford Station, N. Y.
MRS. J. C. McDUGAL, Sparta, Ill.
CHAS. JAS. FOX, 34 Elmwood Ave., South London, Ontario, Canada.
MRS. G. A. ANDREWS, Lyons, N. Y.
MRS. E. W. ALLEN, Warrenton, Va.
CHAS. B. SMITH, Provincetown, Mass.
PRESTON WOOD, Springfield, Ill.
MRS. BELLE MARSHALL, Teck, Texas.
ISABEL F. SPINNEY, Box 474, Ipswich, Mass.
MRS. EGBERT N. MOORE, Box 93, Uncasville, Conn.
WM. W. FOUST, Barnegat, N. J.
JOHN A. EVANS, 407 Liberty St., Camden, N. J.
MRS. SOPHIA I. TUTTLE, R. F. D. No. 1, Mankato, Minn.
EFFIE J. HAYES, R. F. D. No. 2, Sparta, Ill.
MRS. CORA MILLER, Fredericksburg, Ohio.
D. J. STRANG, 302 S. 10th St., Monmouth, Ill.
J. W. JUNG, Randolph, Wis.
MARY E. HAUGH, Naponee, Neb.
JAMES P. RAPELYE, Elmhurst, N. Y.
WILSON SHELLEY, McPherson, Kansas.
MRS. S. A. BATTLES, La Platte, Neb.

First Prize Report.

MRS. A. L. CUNNINGHAM, Bunker Hill, W. Va., July 13, 1902, writes: "We like the new 'White Button' Radish very much. It is one of the very best early varieties we ever grew. *Matures quickly, is fresh, crisp, juicy, and mild.* With its handsome appearance and excellent qualities it cannot help ranking first among the early varieties. Although we had a drought here we were surprised at the superb little bulbs."

Best Ever Tried.

EFFIE J. HAYES, Sparta, Ill., May 27, 1902, writes: "I am well pleased with your Burpee's New White Button Radish. Found them to be of very quick growth. We have used from the same planting for over two weeks. *They have kept crisp while other radishes in a short time become pithy and unfit to eat.* They have a small top. The skin is pure white, smooth, and very thin. They have an extremely crisp snow-white flesh; are of a turnip shape; I think they are the best radish I have ever tried."

Truly Grand.

J. FREEMAN KALE, Bristolville, Ohio, May 27, 1902, writes: "Radishes in seventeen days. Your White Button Radishes are truly grand. They truly combine all that is desired of a radish."

Early and Crisp.

D. J. STRANG, Monmouth, Ill., May 20, 1902, writes: "'White Button' well describes the color and shape of your new radish. It is early, crisp, and of a pleasant appearance. The tops, however, are too short for convenient bunching."

The Most Delicious Radish.

MRS. S. B. LOVELAND, Pittsford, Vt., April 14, 1902, writes: "You ask for a report next fall of the cultivation of the 'White Button' Radish. Would you object to such a report now? I have raised two crops of a half dozen each in a flower-pot. They were small but very spicy, tender, and crisp; *the most delicious radish I ever tasted.* They were so white that I would like to have them called the Snowdrop Radish."

Better Than Rosy Gem.

MISS DALA SPARKS, Mineral City, Ohio, September 8, 1902, writes: "Having grown your New White Button Radish, I can say that your description of it is true. Compared with the 'Rosy Gem' variety this new radish is almost as early, *far better in quality,* and remains fit for use several days longer, while its leaves are less than half as large as those of the 'Rosy Gem.'"

A Remarkably Quick Grower.

REV. J. REYNARD LAWRENCE, Box 47, Lanesboro, Mass., September 19, 1902, writes: "Burpee's 'White Button' Radish,—that's a good name for it, or you might call it Burpee's Snowball Radish. A remarkably quick grower and, as you say, almost leafless or nearly all bulb. Just enough leaves to pull them up by and tie them together. Radishes grow remarkably uniform in size when thinned properly. Flesh white as snow that flies in winter, crisp, and of good flavor. *White Button doesn't have that turnip taste so common to white radishes.* The best white turnip radish ever offered by any seedsman. Fit companion to Burpee's Earliest or Scarlet Button."

Remains Good for a Long Time.

EDWARD N. BARRETT, Bedford Station, N. Y., September 18, 1902, writes: "If it were descriptive enough 'Perfection' would be a good name for your New White Button Radish introduced last spring. *I know of no good quality that it lacks,* except for those who are prejudiced in favor of a bright-colored radish. *None could be more nutty flavored, crisp, solid, or tender, and it remains good for a remarkable length of time in spite of its very quick growth.* During three weeks of last June the radishes from one sowing were in perfect condition for the table. I certainly have never seen all the good qualities so emphasized in one radish as they were in this one the past season."

A Splendid Quick Grower.

MRS. J. C. McDUGAL, Sparta, Ill., October 8, 1902, writes: "In regard to your White Button Radish, it is the finest we have ever had. Among a great many kinds it is of the very best quality and a splendid quick grower. *We have had none to equal it.* It is so tender, sweet, and delicious that it cannot be equaled in any way. As to a name, would suggest that you call it the White Crystal, owing to its nice, white, tender meat and flavor."

Flavor Most Delicious.

CHAS. JAS. FOX, South London, Ontario, Canada, August 11, 1902, writes: "Seed of Burpee's New White Button Radish was sown March 15th in a cold-frame and on April 22d we had the first radishes for breakfast. I can only say they were *crisp and as white as snow, and the flavor was most delicious,* and the name (as below) was given to them then at the breakfast table,—The Early Breakfast Radish."

The Best in the Radish Line.

MRS. G. A. ANDREWS, Lyons, N. Y., July 22, 1902, writes: "Burpee's New White Button Radish will prove a favorite with people who desire a radish whose rapid growth insures a tender crisp flesh. Its neat turnip-shaped roots of snowy whiteness will be appreciated by those who like to see things good to eat, good to look at. Its mild radish flavor so indescribable will insure a place for it in the gardens of those who like the best in the radish line."

Prize Reports on Burpee's "Hailstone,"—Continued.

Grows Quickly with Very Small Tops.

MRS. E. W. ALLEN, Warrenton, Va., June 7, 1902, writes: "Burpee's New 'White Button' Radish looks like a cute little turnip. It is pure white, crisp, brittle, altogether a delightful variety. Truly our favorite this year. *In spite of our protracted drought it was grown very quickly and with very small tops.* As long as they last they are good. I have never yet found one that had become pithy."

"The" Early Radish.

CHAS. B. SMITH, Provincetown, Mass., July 28, 1902, writes: "If you change the name of the 'White Button' Radish call it by all means the 'Eureka.' I found it way ahead of the *New Earliest White*, which has always been my favorite for early, and the foliage is so extremely small even in the hot-bed that I should not hesitate to say it was 'The' early radish, and I planted all the different kinds. Therefore, as an early radish the White Button is ahead of anything on the list, and its small top should make it a favorite with all who plant for the early market, as it is ready for pulling from two to three days earlier than the *New Earliest White*. Skin and flesh white; flavor mild."

Very Fine Looking.

PRESTON WOOD, Springfield, Ill., June 10, 1902, writes: "White Button Radish—New Era: Planted March 28th in drill one inch deep two inches apart, covered with sand one-half inch. Early in April sowed broadcast, fertilizing with soot, sand, and lime. First planting a little ahead; ready to use early in May; crisp, one and one-quarter inches in diameter; weighed equal to 'French Breakfast.' Third sowing a few days ago, June 3d, very fine looking; all in the open."

"Burpee's Stringless Green Pod Beans: Planted April 17th, are ahead of 'Black Wax' planted March 24th; look fine."

Earliest of All Early Radishes.

MRS. BELLE MARSHALL, Teck, Texas, June 26, 1902, writes: "The radish seed sent me under the name of Burpee's New 'White Button' Radish *matured in twenty days*; was one and one-quarter inches across. Was planted in unfavorable weather, very dry and part of the time cold. *I am sure they will grow in fifteen days under favorable chances.* Would suggest that you name them 'Burpee's White Perfection.' I consider them the *earliest of all early radishes* and are in every way perfect."

Sold at Sight.

ISABEL F. SPINNEY, Ipswich, Mass., August 29, 1902, writes: "This spring I got from you a package of Burpee's New White Button Radish. I made several successions of sowings and with them all the seeds were vigorous and their magic growth astonishing. While waiting for the first sowing to grow a top I suddenly discovered the radishes were ready to pull and this suggested the name 'Magic Leafless.' At the same time I sowed an 'Early Scarlet Radish,' but your 'Button' was at least ten days ahead. When I came to cut the tops off the little green eyes looked like emeralds set in pearls, and I thought of the name 'Emerald-eye Pearl'—and from its pure snowy whiteness the name 'Emerald-eye Snow.' When prepared for the table they were exceedingly pleasing to the eye and were so crisp, mild, and of such pleasant flavor that all who ate them cried for more. They sold at sight and I had calls for more than I could supply, for I had only made a trial sowing of one package, but if I had known of their true merits and market value I would have put in a good crop of them. Whatever name I adopted I would prefix the name of 'Burpee' as a surety of good seed, for of all the *twenty-five different kinds of seeds I bought of you to sow this year every one proved to be alive 'way through,* and I have good reason to be perfectly satisfied with them all, also with the plants bought of you."

"Miles Ahead in Quality."

J. W. JUNG, Randolph, Wis., August 23, 1902, writes: "The White Button Radish is simply grand. In earliness it is about a week ahead of the Early Bird and *is miles ahead in quality.* I have tested the two varieties in the same garden and ground, and both received the same care and cultivation."

Skin a Beautiful Transparent White.

MRS. EGBERT N. MOORE, Uncasville, Conn., June 27, 1902, writes: "I have tried Burpee's New White Button Radish this spring and consider it to be a first-class variety. It grows rapidly and occupies little room on account of its small top; its quality is excellent and it is entirely free from worms. The skin is thin, color a beautiful transparent white; the flesh juicy, mild, and clear as crystal. *I feel sure that it will become a standard variety,* not only with the amateur but with the market gardener. I respectfully suggest that in consideration of its many good qualities a suitable name would be 'Burpee's Crystal Gem Radish.'"

Quality Superior to All.

WM. W. FOUST, Barnegat, N. J., July 9, 1902, writes: "Description of Burpee's Early White Button Radish: Leaves extremely small and deeply cut; *radishes formed extra early*; quality superior to all button, round, or olive-shaped varieties; color a beautiful clear white and all shaped as nearly alike as two peas (the true button shape). *They are crisp, solid, and firm* (but not hard nor woody), *mild and tender,* and for these reasons best of all for persons with weak digestion. The leaves being so very small they can be planted closest of any (rows six inches apart) or broadcast, and seed sown quite thickly in either case. They are a heavy cropper for the space occupied, and seed could be sown broadcast between other crops and be out of the way before cultivation became necessary."

Ready for the Table in Seventeen Days.

JOHN A. EVANS, Camden, N. J., August 25, 1902, writes: "Your new White Button Radish is certainly the *best early white turnip-shaped variety thus far introduced.* Under ordinary cultivation in the open ground the handsome little radishes were fit for the table in seventeen days from time of planting. They are solid, mild in flavor, and of best quality. The leaves are few and remarkably small. It is sure to become a favorite sort both for forcing and outdoor culture and should be honored with a bull's-eye in your next catalogue."

A Great Acquisition.

MRS. SOPHIA I. TUTTLE, Mankato, Minn., R. D. No. 1, September 16, 1902, writes: "My family are loud in praise of the White Button Radish. We have grown many varieties of radishes, but this is the first that we ever really liked. We ate no other sort this summer. Its growth is so very quick, and it is so delightfully crisp and cool and *entirely free from that sharp 'peppery' flavor common to other radishes,* that I am sure every one who loves radishes cannot fail to be pleased with it. I consider it a great acquisition."

Regular in Shape.

MRS. CORA MILLER, Fredericksburg, Ohio, August 28, 1902, writes: "I am very much pleased with the new White Button Radish. It is of a beautiful snow-white; extremely early; regular in shape; round, smooth, and very mild; foliage very small—from three to four small leaves, and *keeps crisp and solid longer than any other small early radish I ever raised.* I think 'Burpee's Snowdrop' would be a very good name for this fine new radish. *I have a fine garden this summer from Burpee's seeds.*"

Like Hailstones.

MARY E. HAUGH, Naponee, Neb., May 12, 1902, writes: "I received a packet of radish, White Button, asking for a better name. We had a hailstorm and in a few days we had radishes. They were so like the hailstones that fell I thought it would be such a good name for your radish. *They are so white and clear and shaped just like a hailstone.* They are fine; small top, nice bottom; *are the earliest we had; you cut a radish in two and a hailstone, and they look alike.*"

Leaves are Very Small.

WILSON SHELLEY, R. F. D. No. 2, McPherson, Kansas, September 29, 1902, writes: "Your White Button Radish has proved to be a very quick-growing radish, of uniform shape and size. It has but few leaves and they are very small, which is a very desirable trait when they are to be grown in hot-beds."

Award of Prizes on Burpee's "Fordhook Famous" Cucumber.

For Postal Card Reports.

First prize of \$20.00 to MRS. J. H. CONGER, Edmond, Kansas.
Second prize of \$10.00 to LIZZIE C. PACKER, Brooklyn, Pa.
Third prize of \$5.00 to S. LADWICK, R. F. D. No. 1, Lowellville, Ohio.

Ten Prizes of \$2.00 each to:

S. L. YOUNG, Box 86, North Middleboro, Mass.
MARY A. DUNAVAN, 952 Hardin Ave., Jacksonville, Ill.
MRS. T. A. GIBBS, Drexel, Ga.
F. C. RITTER, Medina, Ohio.
MRS. JOHN E. BOAZ, Russellville, Mo.
SADIE CLEMMONS, Portage, Wis.
E. D. ROTH, Box 183, Faribault, Minn.
COUNTS VON SUTNER, Herrenhaus, Bernau a. Chiemsee, Bavaria, Germany.
GEO. R. PROCTOR, Station No. 4, Peoria, Ill.
M. O'CONNOR, East Troy, Wis.

Twenty-two Prizes of \$1.00 each to:

C. F. BENNETT, West Cheshire, Conn.
WM. HIRSCH, Ellinwood, Kansas.
GEO. P. ZIEGLER, York, Pa.
JOSHUA F. CROWELL, West Yarmouth, Mass.
T. H. SMALLWOOD, R. F. D., Emden, Ill.
F. R. NAUMAN, R. R. No. 1, Roanoke, Ill.
C. F. BARBER, 51 Wall St., Auburn, N. Y.
E. B. SLATE, Chester, Vt.
H. W. TARR, Exchange Bldg., Boston, Mass.
W. STUART MARSDEN, Lenox, Mass.
W. H. MUIR, Woods Cross, Utah.
J. G. RICHARDS, Colara, Md.
F. A. BROOKS, Oaks, Maine.
C. G. ADDISON, Springfield, Md.
WM. W. FOUST, Barnegat, N. J.
G. H. WILLIAMS, East Sound, Wash.
EMILY S. WEEKS, Vassalboro, Maine.
W. E. GILLIAM, Farmville, Va.
B. F. WHALEY, Shelbyville, Ind.
HERBERT BILLINGS, Farmville, Va.
MRS. I. E. HILANDS, Bainbridge, Ind.
MRS. ROBT. BURKHOLDER, Kelso, Va.

First Prize Report.

MRS. J. H. CONGER, Edmond, Kansas, September 22, 1902, writes: "The 'FORDHOOK FAMOUS' CUCUMBER has been a wonderful success. The plant is of a very strong vigorous growth, with large heavy foliage of a deep-green color. Its foliage protected it from the bugs that killed many of my vines of other varieties this season. During the dry hot weather which prevailed during the blooming of the cucumber, the 'FAMOUS' did not blast as did the others, but bore abundantly. After being cut down by hail these wonderful plants put forth new vines and bore beautiful slim uniform fruits from nine to fifteen inches in length. The skin is very deep green in color, greenish-white flesh, firm, unusually crisp, of the finest quality. The seed cavities are very small, yet these vines are so hardy that a few seeds will supply a large family with sliced and pickled cucumbers. It far surpasses my old favorite, the London Long Green, tried on equal conditions. This FORDHOOK FAMOUS is the best of all cucumbers for both the home garden and the trucker."

Sixty-seven Bushels from Ten Hills!

MISS LIZZIE C. PACKER, Brooklyn, Pa., October 2, 1902, writes: "In the FORDHOOK FAMOUS we find all that can be desired of a cucumber. To say that it is productive but feebly expresses it. I at one time counted 619 blossoms on one hill of three vines. Ten hills yielded for me this summer sixty-seven bushels of luscious cucumbers, ranging in length from nine to twenty-one inches, weighing from three to nine pounds each. Sold at \$2.10 per bushel,—more than twice that of any other variety. There is not an inch of waste substance, never a bitter specimen in FORDHOOK FAMOUS. Just as fit for the table when full as when one-quarter grown. Always tender, crisp, sweet, rich, meaty, and but few seeds. These combined fine qualities are not to be found in any other cucumber."

17½ Inches Long; \$41.30 for 35 Cents.

S. LADWICK, Lowellville, Ohio, October 3, 1902, writes: "Your FORDHOOK FAMOUS CUCUMBER is certainly magnificent,—such a sturdy grower! Spread of vines sixteen to eighteen feet, immune from blight, resisting insect attacks and immensely productive of the most uniform, straight, smooth, and longest fruit. Have raised a specimen seventeen and a half inches long, while a good fair average would be about thirteen to fourteen inches. It was two days earlier than White Spine planted same day and two weeks ahead of Cumberland. Although severely frosted two weeks ago, it is still at it, and from half an oz. of seed I have sold \$41.30 worth of cucumbers and still more to come. It is a splendid early (fructified in seventy-three days) and late (October 3d and not done yet) variety."

18 to 20 Inches Long—of Unequaled Quality.

S. L. YOUNG, North Middleboro, Mass., Box 86, September 23, 1902, writes: "Your FAMOUS CUCUMBERS were planted the middle of May; they grew very rapidly and on July 12th I picked eight, of which one measured nineteen and a half inches long. They are wonderfully productive and continue long in bearing. Place same at the head of the Cucumber family."

"It is the finest ever raised in this part of the country. In growth very vigorous and very quick; fruit sets in large quantity, some measure eighteen to twenty inches long and so brittle and crisp that you can hardly hold one end without breaking it in two. Table quality ahead of all others. Have had cucumbers from the 12th of July until the 14th of September. From ten hills I had all I could eat and have sold at 10 cents apiece when the common were selling at 30 cents a hundred."

The Finest Long Cucumber.

MRS. MARY A. DUNAVAN, 952 Hardin Ave., Jacksonville, Ill., September 8, 1902, writes: "Burpee's 'FORDHOOK FAMOUS' is the finest long cucumber I ever saw. The vines began bearing quite early and have been exceedingly prolific. I would claim that they are everbearing. We have had them for table use all summer, and to-day they are as crisp and sweet as at the first. For pickling there is nothing finer. The vines are very strong and free from insects, while other varieties in the same garden were injured. This cucumber is undoubtedly the best variety I have ever grown, and has been much admired and praised by all who have seen them on account of their size, beauty of color and smoothness, and the fineness of the flesh."

Much Better Than Paris Pickling and Long Green.

WM. W. FOUST, Barnegat, N. J., September 29, 1902, writes: "The vines are rank growers with large, thick, deep-green leaves, resisting the striped bug well. Fruits long, deep green, turning to white when ripe and almost as large as Giant Pera. They are about a week later than White Spine and much superior in quality, either for slicing or pickles, containing less seed than any cucumber except the forcing varieties. The vines have the hardiness and vigor of White Spine and are very productive, making it a profitable sort to grow. It is a first-class market cucumber after people find out its good quality, and has the advantage of never showing any yellow color when old. For this reason much better than the Paris Pickling and the Long Green."

"Never Found a Bitter One."

G. H. WILLIAMS, East Sound, Wash., October 8, 1902, writes: "First let me say that the FORDHOOK FAMOUS is the finest and best cucumber I have ever raised; its chief characteristics being sweetness, delicious flavor, and solid firm flesh, with a perfect form for a cucumber. Planted side by side with new Cumberland, Long Green, Early Cyclone, and Emerald, while not so early as Cumberland or Cyclone, it is larger than either and much sweeter. I never found a bitter one. Vine strong, vigorous grower, producing full perfect flowers and many of them. Fruit edible at four inches, but does not attain full perfection until eight or ten inches long. Very few seeds; thick solid flesh. Shape straight, hardly a crooked or ill-shaped one on my vines. Deep or dark-green skin; flesh white with tinge of green. Withal an acquisition!"

Prize Reports on "Fordhook Famous,"—Continued.

It's "All Right" in Every Respect!

F. A. BROOKS, Oaks, Maine, September 4, 1902, writes: "FORDHOOK FAMOUS is all that you claim for it and you can call it all right in every respect. They did the best that I ever had cucumbers do and I am much pleased. I have tested your seeds for twenty years. I plant your seeds and no others, as they are the best that can be had."

When Small are Fine for Pickling.

C. G. ADDISON, Springfield, Md., September 25, 1902, writes: "I can say that after many years' experience growing cucumbers for market the FORDHOOK FAMOUS is by far the finest I have ever seen, and I fully endorse every word of praise given it in last FARM ANNUAL by the originator and by E. L. COY. In comparison with London Long Green and similar varieties, it is more vigorous, more prolific, and resists heat and drought better, thus insuring a longer bearing period. Many specimens that I grew were sixteen to eighteen inches long, twelve inches in circumference, weighed five pounds, were perfectly straight and the darkest green. When small they are fine for pickling and when grown for table use they have no equal, my customers preferring them to all others, owing to firmness, sparseness of seed, and superior flavor. They do not turn yellow and soft, but remain in fine condition for use several weeks after full maturity."

"An Ideal Cucumber!"

MRS. T. A. GIBBS, Drexel, Ga., September 23, 1902, writes: "FORDHOOK FAMOUS has proved so much superior in every respect, to the old-time Long Green, I shall discard all others. They bear early, vines are hardy and vigorous; planted by others which were entirely demolished by insects they were not injured. They yielded abundantly. The fruit is fine for use at all stages. As the seed and seed-cells are so small and few they remain solid and crispy to the last, which renders them far superior for marketing. Every one is symmetrical, straight, glossy green. Altogether it is an Ideal Cucumber!"

Unusually Vigorous; a Remarkable Cropper.

F. C. RITTER, Medina, Ohio, August 25, 1902, writes: "BURPEE'S 'FORDHOOK FAMOUS' is the best long cucumber I ever raised. The vines are of unusually vigorous growth and produce a most remarkable crop of the most beautiful and best long cucumbers. I cut handsome fruits that measured twelve to fourteen inches long, perfectly smooth, dark green, and very solid. The flesh is firm, crisp, and of the most delicious flavor. The seed space is extremely small. I shall plant a lot of FORDHOOK FAMOUS next year."

Most Beautiful and Best Long Green.

MRS. JOHN E. BOAZ, Russellville, Mo., July 28, 1902, writes: "The vines produce a grand crop of most beautiful and best long green cucumbers, being of unusually vigorous growth, perfectly smooth, and very dark green, the handsome fruits measuring fifteen inches long and all straight and very solid. The flesh greenish-white, firm, crispy, and of delicious flavor. The flesh seems to be all there is of the cucumber, as the seed space is extremely small. They are the best of all long green cucumbers."

"All Flesh and No Seeds!"

MISS SADIE CLEMMONS, Portage, Wis., September 29, 1902, writes: "The FORDHOOK FAMOUS is the very finest for selling on market, retaining its beautiful green color even until fully matured. For table use and pickling it cannot be excelled, being crisp, delicious in flavor, and containing but few seeds. 'All flesh and no seeds' is a fitting maxim for this certainly 'Famous' vegetable. After once being grown, no substitute for it will be satisfactory to the grower."

"Absolutely Unequaled!"

E. D. ROTH, Faribault, Minn., September 29, 1902, writes: "It can be truly said that BURPEE'S FORDHOOK FAMOUS CUCUMBER is absolutely unequaled. The vines are early to start and continue to grow vigorously throughout the entire season, withstanding attacks of insects and producing an abundant crop of the finest cucumbers. The fruit is of good size, perfectly smooth, of dark-green color and most excellent flavor. A great feature is the solid and crisp flesh, having only a very small seed space."

Longest and Best in Germany!

COUNTESS VON SUTNER, Chiemsee, Bavaria, Germany, September 27, 1902, writes: "I did not plant the seeds of BURPEE'S 'FORDHOOK FAMOUS' until June and then in open ground. From six plants I have fifty cucumbers, all of very good size. The larger ones twenty-nine cent. long, thirty-one round, 1 kilo weight. It is now the end of September and the vines are full of large fine cucumbers. They are longer, finer, and heavier than any we have in Germany and have a most delicious flavor. A gem of all the cucumbers."

Best for Market and Pickling.

GEORGE R. PROCTOR, Peoria, Ill., Station 4, September 15, 1902, writes: "From one packet of seed I secured several hills of fine vines, which turned me an immense lot of fine cucumbers that sold for a fancy price. They were long and slim and dark green and very uniform. My customers said they preferred them to all other varieties, owing to their having such few seeds in them. In my test I had the Long Green, White Spine, Peerless White Spine, and Chicago Market, and my test leads me to decide in favor of the FORDHOOK FAMOUS for cucumbers as well as for pickling. The best I have yet grown,—this being my actual experience as a market gardener."

Outsell All Others!

M. O'CONNOR, East Troy, Wis., September 29, 1902, writes: "The FORDHOOK FAMOUS CUCUMBER Seed bought of you gave the best satisfaction. They produced an abundance of straight finely formed cucumbers of pickling size, while it is the best variety to use when large I have ever had. The flesh was white and solid and of very fine flavor; the seed portion being very small. Several of them grew over twelve inches in length, while one measured sixteen inches in length and twelve and a half inches in circumference. It is a fine variety for ripe pickles. The 'lake people' always wanted these in preference to other kinds I had. I took first premium at the Walworth County Fair on the best six green."

Supersedes All Other Long Green Cucumbers!

C. F. BENNETT, West Cheshire, Conn., September 22, 1902, writes: "From actual experience I must say FORDHOOK FAMOUS CUCUMBER supersedes all other types of the popular long green cucumber. The fruit is very uniform in shape and very productive, and owing to its large, thick, heavy leaves it withstood the attacks of insects the past season much better than any other variety I grew."

Smallest 12 Inches, Largest 18 Inches Long.

WILLIAM HIRSCH, Ellinwood, Kansas, September 11, 1902, writes: "BURPEE'S FORDHOOK FAMOUS is the best and largest cucumber I ever saw. One vine had nine cucumbers, the smallest measuring twelve inches, weighing four pounds, and the largest measuring eighteen inches and weighing four and three-quarter pounds. They are of good color. I took the smallest to Ellinwood and they thought it was the biggest they ever saw."

"An Immense Success!"

GEORGE P. ZIEGLER, York, Pa., September 8, 1902, writes: "The Long Cucumber, BURPEE'S 'FORDHOOK FAMOUS,' was with us an immense success. It proved to be the largest and the finest variety we ever grew. Smooth and tender, together with its prolific yield, are considerations that make it a most valuable acquisition to any market garden. It cannot help but be in demand where something choice is desired."

Superior to All Others.

JOSHUA F. CROWELL, West Yarmouth, Mass., September 25, 1902, writes: "FORDHOOK FAMOUS proves to be the finest cucumber for this section I have seen. The vines are vigorous and keep green throughout the season, resisting blight, drought, and insects perfectly and are extremely productive. The fruits are more uniform, smoother, larger, firmer, and crisper, and command a better price than any other variety. One fine feature is its keeping qualities for both on and off the vines. The fruits retain color, freshness, crispness, and solidity longer than any other variety."

Prize Reports on Fordhook Famous,—Continued.

1261 Cucumbers from Seven Hills!

T. H. SMALLWOOD, Emden, Ill., September 26, 1902, writes: "From your package of cucumber seed (THE FORDHOOK FAMOUS) we got seven hills. From the seven hills we got 1261 cucumbers. Commenced picking July 16th and quit August 20th. Of course, there were more on the vines. I consider them the best cucumber I ever grew on account of them being crisp and tender, long, dark green. Also their seeds are so very small. The vines are of vigorous growth and long bearers."

Longer and Smoother Than Any Other.

F. R. NAUMAN, Roanoke, Ill., September 8, 1902, writes: "There was never such a fine beauty in cultivation as the FAMOUS. I had fruits that measured seventeen and a half inches long and thirteen and a quarter inches in circumference. Took one dozen to town, received \$1.20 for same. Cannot praise it too highly. It is larger, finer, longer, and smoother than the *London Long Green*, and has a much better flavor and very few seeds, and it never turns yellow at any stage of its growth."

Earlier than White Spine and Double the Size!

C. F. BARBER, Auburn, N. Y., September 22, 1902, writes: "FORDHOOK FAMOUS will be a general favorite. It is crisp and tender even for a long time after taken from the vines, therefore one of the best for the market. It is immensely productive, beautiful in color, symmetrical in form, never bitter, earlier than *White Spine* and double the size. My vines were green and growing when later varieties and adjoining were dead and dry. It is unsurpassed for pickling whether large or small."

"Very Prolific,—Immense in Size."

E. B. SLATE, Chester, Vt., October 4, 1902, writes: "Having been for the past five years a purchaser of your famous seeds, I can say from experience that they are the best seeds on the market to-day. The FORDHOOK FAMOUS excels all cucumbers I ever saw. They are very prolific, immense in size, delicious in flavor, and produce good solid meat."

"The Best by Long Odds!"

H. W. TARR, Room 217, Exchange Building, Boston, Mass., September 10, 1902, writes: "For flavor, uniform size, color, and productiveness it is certainly the best by long odds I ever grew, saw, or tasted. One measured nearly fourteen inches, several a foot long. Vines most vigorous and luxuriant. So strong and hardy withstood ravages of striped bug in June, while other kinds were killed. BURPEE'S FORDHOOK FAMOUS has reached the acme of excellence for cucumbers."

Brought "Double the Usual Price."

W. STUART MARSDEN, Lenox, Mass., October 4, 1902, writes: "Your FORDHOOK FAMOUS, in the thirty years I have been in business, is by far the most productive and finest cucumber that I have ever grown. My customers would have no other while they lasted, and I easily got double the usual price and could not supply the demand I had for them."

The Dealers Want No Other Cucumbers!

W. H. MUIR, Woods Cross, Utah, September 7, 1902, writes: "I planted the FORDHOOK FAMOUS, also *Long Green*, but for growth, shape, and productiveness I have never in all my experience seen anything in the cucumber line to come up to *Fordhook Famous*. I farm for market and have a man hired to take my truck to Salt Lake City direct to vegetable dealers, and they want my man next year to bring nothing but FORDHOOK FAMOUS CUCUMBERS, because they keep longer than any other. My best picking from six hills was seven dozen from ten to fourteen inches in length."

Eighteen Inches Long and Extra Fine.

J. G. RICHARDS, Colora, Md., September 18, 1902, writes: "The vines, which stood our dry season particularly well, produced the largest fruit I ever grew in great abundance. One measured eighteen inches, extra fine for slicing, being crisp and well flavored even when fully grown. I have packed half a keg for pickles ranging in length from eight to twelve inches, so young the seeds have scarcely formed."

Crisp, Tender, and Meaty.

EMILY S. WEEKS, Vassalboro, Maine, October 8, 1902, writes: "Last spring I purchased of you a package of 'FORDHOOK FAMOUS' Long Green Cucumber. They have proved entirely satisfactory. Crisp, tender, and meaty for table use, excellent for pickles and catsup. *The full-grown fruit lies thick on the ground now after using all we needed for the aforesaid purposes. They average about fourteen inches in length. We planted only nine hills, and the abundance of fruit convinces me that they are very prolific. My brother from R. I., who has access to many market gardens, said, 'You have the greatest lay-out of cucumbers I ever saw in my life.'*"

Unsurpassed for Large Pickles.

W. E. GILLIAM, Farmville, Va., October 1, 1902, writes: "THE FORDHOOK FAMOUS was rightly named. The vines seem to be drought and insect proof and make a rapid and healthy growth. They produce astonishing numbers of beautiful, straight, long, green fruits. The flesh has a greenish tinge, is brittle and of the most delicious flavor. The seed cavity is very small, making it very desirable for table use as well as pickling. It is unsurpassed for large pickles because it is tender and nice at seven or eight inches long. The skin is deep green when young and white when ripe. The fruits measure from twelve to seventeen and a half inches in length and ten to eighteen inches in circumference and weigh three and a half to four and a half pounds. *I picked twenty gallons of large pickles from eight hills, although the season was dry for them. I don't know what they would have yielded if they had been gathered while small. They will sell higher for table use than any other.*"

"Never Becomes Yellow."

B. F. WHALEY, Shelbyville, Ind., September 23, 1902, writes: "FORDHOOK FAMOUS CUCUMBER. Color of skin dark green when young, changing to a smooth white as it approaches maturity, never getting yellow. Shape uniform; average length, twelve inches. Vine vigorous; leaf large and of a beautiful dark green. Flesh white, tinged with green; firm, crisp, and of excellent flavor. Its small seed cavity and beautiful appearance in connection with the strong points named above make it the most valuable table cucumber yet introduced."

A Prodigious Bearer.

HERBERT BILLINGS, Farmville, Va., October 8, 1902, writes: "BURPEE'S 'FORDHOOK FAMOUS' is the finest long cucumber I have ever grown. It grows perfectly straight and solid; average length with me twelve to fourteen inches. The vines are strong and vigorous, with large dark-green leaves, and it proved itself a prodigious bearer. The flesh is of a delicious flavor, unexcelled for the table and grand for fancy pickles. The vines continued in bearing the whole season, while the *White Spine* could not resist the drought."

Seedless Dark-Green Pickles.

MRS. I. E. HILANDS, Bainbridge, Ind., October 9, 1902, writes: "'FORDHOOK FAMOUS' Cucumber, planted in rows with *White Spine*, Boston Pickling, and Thorburn's Everbearing, proved to be the best,—(1) in resisting insects; (2) robust growth of vine; (3) in length of time bearing; (4) in the uniform size of the fruit and symmetrical shape until the last; (5) in its creamy-white flavor for slicing; (6) its seedless dark-green pickles. In conclusion, it was near perfect in growth and productiveness."

Eighteen Inches—"Straight as a Rule."

MRS. ROBT. BURKHOLDER, Kelson, Va., October 2, 1902, writes: "I think you can never be complimented high enough for the introduction of your New Cucumber, FORDHOOK FAMOUS. It is the finest cucumber that has ever been sent out. From one packet of seed I got two barrels of pickles, the nicest I ever saw. It grows rapidly, making strong vigorous vines, free from rust or insects, thickly set with cucumbers that are a dark green when young, turning lighter as they mature. It is brittle and crisp, solid, with very few seeds. The cucumbers average about fifteen inches. Raised some specimens eighteen inches which were as straight as a rule."

Award of Prizes offered on Burpee's "Halbert Honey" Watermelon.

For Postal Card Reports.

First prize of \$20.00 to S. S. BOUGHTON, Sidney, Ohio.
Second prize of \$10.00 to GEO. M. HUMPHREYS, Alexandria, Va.
Third prize of \$5.00 to GEO. H. ROGERS, 374 Bandini Ave., Riverside, Cal.

Ten Prizes of \$2.00 each to:

JOHN X. ALECK, Woodbine, Iowa.
J. S. SHIRES, Basin Springs, Texas.
J. W. BLEDSOE, Rockalo, Ga.
J. F. ERTEL, R. F. D. No. 10, Dayton Ohio.
WM. W. FOUST, Barnegat, N. J.
CHAS. E. KELLOGG, West Stafford, Conn.
ALBERT W. SMITH, Jr., Newington, Va.
W. L. MESPLAY, Nevada, Mo.
G. W. QUINLEN, Chester, S. C.
M. R. DEMOULIN, Raymond, Ill.

Twenty-two Prizes of \$1.00 each to:

DEAN FERRIS, Peekskill, N. Y.
WM. C. AIKEN, Angwin, Cal.
JESSE GOSSET, Shafter, Ky.
OLIVER TURNER, New Albany, Ind.
J. T. MITCHELL, Box 197, Stillwater, Okla.
R. L. SCOTT, Alderson, Indian Ter.
DR. W. GILPIN, Brechin, Ontario, Canada.
STEPHEN R. WEAVER, Sacket Harbor, N. Y.
W. L. WAYNE, Davis Creek, Cal.
J. W. LOWRY, Slate Springs, Miss.
JOHN B. KUNGLE, R. F. D. No. 2, Spring City, Pa.
HUGH KING, Benton, Miss.
B. M. MERRYMAN, Adamsville, Tenn.
J. J. PRICE, Box 114, Charlotte, N. C.
J. E. M. HUNT, Marcy, Texas.
B. T. BUSROE, Rutland, Ill.
C. F. BENNETT, West Cheshire, Conn.
S. E. PARK, Chloe, Mo.
FREDERICK J. LESLIE, Chippewa Falls, Wis.
F. A. KENNARD, 303 Jackson St., St. Paul, Minn.
LEVI B. PIERCE, Milmay, N. J.
MRS. GEO. C. HALLOCK, 181 Sound Ave., Riverhead, N. Y.

First Prize Report.

S. S. BOUGHTON, Sidney, Ohio, October 23, 1902, writes: "Two hills produced eighteen melons, the largest twenty-six inches long, ten inches through; smallest, thirteen inches long, eight inches through. Dark green, rind very thin but hard and brittle in cutting. Core red; white seed free from toughness or stringiness. Flesh crisp, sweet, pure, and delicious. Ripens early; *flesh extends within three-eighths inch of the rind*. Very desirable for home market and would stand shipping a reasonable distance. BURPEE'S HALBERT HONEY is every way desirable."

"Of Indescribable Melting Sweetness."

GEO. M. HUMPHREYS, Alexandria, Va., September 20, 1902, writes: "For unsurpassed prolificness of quick hardy vines that defy insects and blight, unexcelled beauty of color and form of fruit, and *undescribable melting sweetness of solid succulent heart, meat that extends close to a thin rind*, HALBERT HONEY takes the lead. It is simply faultless for the home market. It ripened along with *Fordhook Early*."

Very Hardy in New England.

CHAS. E. KELLOGG, West Stafford, Conn., October 25, 1902, writes: "This was too cold a season in Connecticut for best results in raising melons. I matured a few HALBERT HONEY WATERMELONS of medium size that were long and slim, very symmetrical in form, and of a rich green color. They opened beautifully, showing a thin rind, a solid heart of attractive pink color, with white seeds close to the rind. There appeared to be less seeds than usual. The scarcity of seed combined with its honey sweetness and fine, delicate, globular grains, make it a most enjoyable melon. The season being cold (not a single melon shown at our fall fairs), *this appears to be a very hardy melon and well adapted to New England gardens.*"

Of Very Excellent Eating Qualities.

ALBERT W. SMITH, JR., Newington, Va., October 8, 1902, writes: "Your HALBERT HONEY WATERMELON has more than come up to your claims. Seed I got of you were planted May 3d, regular field culture; first ripe fruits were gathered July 19th; they have kept up to the average size, without the least sign of neck and are still bearing at this date; vines thrifty. The largest fruit weighed thirty-four pounds, twelve inches in diameter, and twenty-four inches long. There were many nearly as large. This good size, thin rind, very attractive appearance, and above all *its very excellent eating qualities (for it is the best melon I ever tasted)*, have made it a leader with me in the home markets—*selling at one cent per pound*, with orders always in advance of the supply, while other melons were at times often very dull here this season."

Fine-Grained Flesh of Superb Sweetness.

W. L. MESPLAY, Nevada, Mo., September 1, 1902, writes: "For the home market the HALBERT HONEY WATERMELON is a great success. Of the right shape (a blunt oval), an attractive deep-green color, a fine-grained flesh, of superb sweetness. Once tried they are always called for regardless of size. With me this year they were quite early, ripening ahead of *Dixie, McIver Sugar, Georgia Rattlesnake, or Florida Favorite*. Where the *Kleckley Sweets* lacked perfection the HALBERT HONEY fills the bill."

Crisp, Tender, Blood-Red Flesh.

G. W. QUINLEN, Chester, S. C., September 30, 1902, writes: "A description of HALBERT HONEY WATERMELON: When properly planted comes up soon, grows rapidly, short vines, bears early and profusely, ripens early. Melons beautiful oblong shape, rounded ends, blunt medium size; weight twelve pounds to fifteen pounds; dark-green rind, very thin; flesh blood-red, crisp, tender, and sweet. *Perhaps the sweetest melon ever produced*, but few seeds in the melon. Second-growth melons on same vines, more profuse and larger than the first crop and as sweet."

Flesh Extends to the Rind.

M. R. DE MOULIN, Raymond, Ill., September 27, 1902, writes:

"In Halbert Honey you will find *A melon whose flesh extends to the rind*. As to quality, they can never be beat, They're like sugar or honey, they're so sweet, In size, they're the best to be found You will find they grow oblong, not round. The color of rind, as can always be seen, Is the prettiest of all, a glossy deep green. As seen in the field, they're a delight to the eye, They grow in such profusion you can scarcely get by. Of all the melons that ever were seen, HALBERT HONEY is the cream of cream. When planting-time comes, and no seed you will see, If you want the best, mention 'HALBERT HONEY,' address BURPEE."

"Perfection That Will Never Be Beaten."

J. W. BLEDSOE, Rockalo, Ga., August 20, 1902, writes: "HALBERT HONEY MELONS are still bearing and have been for nearly two months, while all other melons have been a complete failure. They are the most prolific of any melons I ever saw, almost covering the ground with melons. Are of good size and the sweetest melon I ever saw, melting in your mouth and as sweet as honey. The meat has no strings and ripens to within half an inch of the outside, with scarcely any seeds at all. My friends say that in this melon you have perfection that will never be beaten."

"Cannot Be Beat for Home Market."

J. F. ERTEL, Dayton, Ohio, September 14, 1902, writes: "I never saw any melon before that was sweet clear to the rind as the HALBERT HONEY. I have raised melons for many years. They are far ahead of any I have ever raised for productiveness and sweetness and nice-sized melons. I counted nine melons on one runner. They cannot be beat for home market."

Prize Reports on "Halbert Honey,"—Continued.

Flesh Firm yet Melting.

GEO. H. ROGERS, Riverside, Cal., September 2, 1902, writes: "It affords me great pleasure to contribute my testimony to the unqualified merits of your new HALBERT HONEY WATERMELON. I obtained a package of seed from you early this season, and out of five different varieties grown this took precedence over all the others in regard to size, general appearance, and delicious quality. I measured one, a most perfect specimen, that was twenty-one inches long and weighed twenty-three and a half pounds. The flesh was a beautiful crimson-lake in color, solid to the center, very sweet and finely flavored. *It had no perceptible grain, was firm yet melting.* They are by far the best watermelons I ever raised and no grower would be disappointed by planting seed of this new variety. In regard to yield the results were highly satisfactory. I consider it a great acquisition to the watermelon family."

"The Best of All."

JOHN X. ALECK, Woodbine, Iowa, October 13, 1902, writes: "BURPEE'S HALBERT HONEY WATERMELON was tested on my trial grounds this season and out of twenty-five varieties it proved itself to be the best of all. I only had enough seed to plant ten hills and up to date (October 13th) have marketed two hundred and seventy melons which sold for a trifle over 21 cents a piece. It is both early and late, in fact 'Everbearing,' sweet and tender with very few seeds. I have been in the melon business for twenty-five years and have tested every known variety, and BURPEE'S HALBERT HONEY will be my first choice for 1903."

Ripe Melons in Seventy-two Days.

J. S. SHIRES, Basin Springs, Texas, August 28, 1902, writes: "I planted HALBERT HONEY April 12th and in seventy-two days had ripe melons. The vines put on melons close together. The melons are a long, dark, glossy green; rind very thin. Flesh dark blood-red, very sweet and tender from heart to rind and has a pleasant flavor all its own; seeds few. Good size melons averaging thirty pounds. Its quick growth, prolific nature, and good eating qualities will appeal to all lovers of a fine melon. There is none like it."

"Most Luscious of All Melons."

DEAN FERRIS, Peekskill, N. Y., October 1, 1902, writes: "HALBERT HONEY is the sweetest and most luscious of all melons. Flesh extremely tender and melting; very productive. It is the ideal melon for the home garden."

"Sold for Double What Others Did."

WM. C. AIKEN, Angwin, Cal., October 1, 1902, writes: "Your New HALBERT HONEY has been a great success,—quality above any other and its productiveness is simply marvelous. Fifty-two seeds planted May 10th, or ten hills occupying less than one-fiftieth of an acre, produced 118 of the largest and finest melons seen in this locality, which sold for double what others did,—buyers taking nothing else while they lasted. First ripe melons picked on July 20th."

Needs "All the Superlative Adjectives."

JESSE GOSSET, Shafter, Ky., September 20, 1902, writes: "Take all the superlative adjectives in the English language and apply to the merits of HALBERT HONEY WATERMELON, and you would not overdo justice to it. *Its fine eating qualities cannot be overestimated.* Its flesh is rich scarlet; grows to a fine large size, well shaped and uniform."

"Tenderest, Sweetest, Deepest Red."

OLIVER TURNER, New Albany, Ind., September 15, 1902, writes: "HALBERT HONEY is of a uniform size and shape with a handsome deep green. The vines make a wonderful growth that cover the ground with nice marketable melons. The flesh is the tenderest, sweetest, deepest rich red I ever grew. My customers say they are the sweetest melons they ever ate."

Contains Less Seeds Than Any Other Melon.

WM. W. FOUST, Barnegat, N. J., September 29, 1902, writes: "Vines of the same vigorous growth, with large, dark-green, thick leaves like *Kleckley Sweets*. Seeds white with two small brown marks at the point. The fruits are often two feet long by nine inches thick and much thicker at the end than Kleckley and without any tendency whatever to make necks. Color of rind a more brilliant green than Kleckley and the flesh much darker; a rich crimson and good to a half inch or less of the rind. The melons ripen a few days later than *Fordhook Early* and *Cole's Early*, but a little earlier than Kleckley and the vines are very productive, making them a profitable sort to grow for the home market. The rind is too brittle for a shipping melon. Quality fully up to Kleckley, occasionally even better. (Both varieties are so extra good that every grower needs a shotgun.) The HALBERT HONEY contains less seeds than other melons; this makes them better to eat, but causes the seed to be more expensive to grow. *Seed-bearing exhausts vines; therefore, a variety with few seeds should be more productive of melons.*"

Of Excellent Flavor.

R. L. SCOTT, Alderson, Indian Ter., October 18, 1902, writes: "Halbert Honey Watermelon: Weight, thirty-nine pounds; length, twenty-seven and a half inches; thickness, nine inches. Description: It is almost as early as the *Fordhook*. It is beautiful, long, dark green with bright-red flesh and small white seed lying close to the rind; has very few seeds and in flavor it excels anything I have raised, and I have raised thirty different varieties."

"Truly as Sweet as Honey."

DR. W. GILPIN, Brechin, Ontario, Canada, October 25, 1902, writes: "I have grown HALBERT HONEY WATERMELON to perfection this unfavorable season. Among a number of other kinds, they were more of an even size and ripened sooner. *The quality was superb, truly as sweet as honey*, juicy, luscious, colossal, marvelous, and many times takes the place of water in quenching thirst. This is a leader in watermelons, entirely free from any appearance of neck, with few seeds; most attractive in color and wonderfully prolific."

Excels All Other Varieties.

STEPHEN R. WEAVER, Sacket Harbor, N. Y., October 21, 1902, writes: "After giving BURPEE'S HALBERT HONEY WATERMELON a fair trial this year, I wish to say that I think it is the sweetest, largest, most productive, and in fact the best home-grown melon for beauty, flavor, size, and productiveness. It excels all other varieties. I have always thought *Kleckley Sweets* the best, but I must say, give me the HALBERT HONEY for the best home watermelon."

Very Prolific.

W. L. WAYNE, Davis Creek, Cal., October 24, 1902, writes: "The vines are very dark green, making a vigorous and healthy growth of medium length and very prolific. The melons are long, with glossy, dark-green, thin rind. The meat is bright red; large white seed, with only a small amount to the melon. They measure from sixteen to twenty-two inches in length and from ten to twelve inches around the center, tapering to both ends and are entirely free from any neck; medium early."

"A Feast for the Bees!"

F. A. KENNARD, No. 303 Jackson St., St. Paul, Minn., September 23, 1902, writes: "The present year has been cold and wet, and common varieties have failed to ripen, or when ripened have been tasteless. The exception has been the HALBERT HONEY I planted May 8th and picked a ripe melon August 18th, twenty-four inches long. Meat solid, crisp, and honey-sweet. A broken *Halbert Honey* makes a feast for hundreds of bees."

Will Plant Them in Place of All Others.

LEVI B. PIERCE, Milmay, N. J., September 29, 1902, writes: "HALBERT HONEY is the best watermelon I ever ate. Mine were twenty-two inches long and ten or twelve inches in diameter. I shall plant them in place of all others."

Prize Reports on "Halbert Honey,"—Continued.

Preferred to All Others.

J. W. LOWRY, Slate Springs, Miss., October 22, 1902, writes: "After raising your HALBERT HONEY WATERMELON I can endorse in full your description in catalogue of this excellent melon. From seed planted April 20th I gathered fine ripe melons July 1st and 2d,—seventy-one days from planting. One vine produced one hundred and twenty-eight and a half pounds of melons. One melon weighed thirty-two pounds, size twenty-three and one-quarter by eight inches. The vines are the most prolific and vigorous, greenest in color of any known variety, while the fruit cannot be equaled in uniformity and quality. My customers prefer it to any other kind."

"Like So Much Honey."

JOHN B. KUNGLER, Spring City, Pa., September 7, 1902, writes: "I have eaten a great many melons in my time, but the HALBERT HONEY goes ahead of them all. The sweet flesh melts away in the mouth like so much honey. I would challenge the world to produce its equal in beauty, quality, and productiveness. I counted twelve melons on one vine. They measured twenty-two inches long by ten inches in diameter."

"The Ideal Melon."

HUGH KING, Benton, Miss., September 11, 1902, writes: "I have given your HALBERT HONEY MELON a fair trial. In flavor it equals your 'Kleckley Sweets,'—that is saying lots. In size and beauty it by far excels,—and that is saying still more. Any one who has tried the famous 'Kleckley Sweets' need not be afraid to try the 'Halbert Honey.' It is the 'Ideal' melon."

"Halbert Honey is the Best."

B. M. MERRYMAN, Adamsville, Tenn., September 10, 1902, writes: "I bought 20 cents' worth HALBERT HONEY MELON from you the past spring, from which I raised and sold \$30.00 worth. One specimen measured thirty inches in length and twelve inches in diameter, weighing forty pounds. I have been buying watermelon seed from you about twenty years. HALBERT HONEY is the best that has ever been in this country."

"The Finest Melon Ever Tasted."

J. J. PRICE, Charlotte, N. C., September 2, 1902, writes: "The HALBERT HONEY is very symmetrical in shape, and the average weight is about thirty-five pounds. It is one of the earliest melons ever grown in this latitude. The flavor is remarkably fine and sweet. HALBERT HONEY has been pronounced by numerous persons who have partaken of it during the season 'The finest melon I ever tasted,' and this is high praise, for many varieties are and have been grown in this melon-producing locality."

"The Best Home Melon."

J. E. M. HUNT, Marcy, Texas, September 15, 1902, writes: "My largest HALBERT HONEY WATERMELONS were twenty-five to thirty inches long and weighed thirty-five to forty-five pounds. The flesh is very tender and sweet. They are the best home melon I ever raised."

"Can't Say Half Enough" in its Favor!

B. T. BUSROE, Rutland, Ill., September 12, 1902, writes: "A HALBERT HONEY WATERMELON measured twenty-one inches from stem to blossom, two feet three inches in circumference, and weighed thirty pounds, and as fine as ever was in the world. I can't say half enough in regard to this melon."

For Sweetness Excels All Others.

C. F. BENNETT, West Cheshire, Conn., September 22, 1902, writes: "The HALBERT HONEY WATERMELON is blunt at both stem and blossom end, devoid of any neck. The flesh is a beautiful crimson color, and for sweetness it excels any melon I ever grew. It is very prolific."

"The Ends as Good as the Heart."

FREDERICK J. LESLIE, Chippewa Falls, Wis., September 5, 1902, writes: "With the HALBERT HONEY WATERMELONS, the children don't 'kick' about getting the ends, as they are as good as the heart. One is not smothered by seeds, either. They are great."

Sugary to the Rind.

J. T. MITCHELL, Stillwater, Okla., August 2, 1902, writes: "We are now feasting on fine HALBERT HONEY WATERMELONS, which are now at their best. They are sugary to the rind, with thin brittle rind and bright-red center. The melons weigh about thirty pounds and are long and of a dark-green color. We planted the seed the 29th of April and had ripe melons the 25th of July. We are having dry hot weather now, but the melons and vines are doing well. I have been quite a melon grower for several years and raised many kinds, but none so good as HALBERT HONEY."

"Sold Like Hot Cakes."

S. E. PARK, Chloe, Mo., September 23, 1902, writes: "HALBERT HONEY is the melon! I raised them this year twenty-three and twenty-four inches long, and weighed a little over forty pounds and sold like hot cakes at 20 cents apiece. I sold over \$32.00 worth off of a very small patch."

Two Weeks Earlier than Kleckleys.

MRS. GEO. C. HALLOCK, Riverhead, L. I., N. Y., October 2, 1902, writes: "Have grown the Kleckley Sweets for four years. The HALBERT HONEY proved to be equally as good and two weeks earlier."

Award of Prizes on New "Large Early" Tomato,—now known as "PROLIFIC GIANT."

For Name.

\$25.00 to J. S. WADDLE, Romney, W. Va.

For Photographs.

First prize of \$15.00 for best cluster to ROBT. WHITE, Little Hocking, Ohio.

Second prize of \$5.00 for next best cluster to JOHN W. PRINCE, Gardener to W. E. Helme, St. Davids, Pa.

First prize of \$10.00 for best single tomato to WM. BEEBE, Norwalk, Ohio.

Second prize of \$5.00 for second-best single tomato to CLARENCE J. BROWN, Ithan, Pa.

Postal Card Reports.

First prize of \$20.00 to W. E. GILLIAM, Farmville, Va.

Second prize of \$10.00 to BEEBE & BOETTCHER, Norwalk, Ohio.

Third prize of \$5.00 to B. W. JACOBS, Malvern, Pa.

Four Prizes of \$2.50 each to:

C. G. ADDISON, Springfield, Md.

C. GILLET, Oneonta, N. Y.

LEO WELLENREITER, Danvers, Ill.

Mrs. J. L. ATWOOD, Woodstock, Vt.

Five Prizes of \$2.00 each to:

JESSE SIMPSON, Vilonia, Ark.

AUSTIN S. JAGGER, Orient, N. Y.

Mrs. S. J. DALTON, Grove, S. C.

F. M. BARTHOLOMEW, Box 254, Stockwell, Ind.

J. A. CAMPBELL, Fort Spring, W. Va.

Fourteen Prizes of \$1.00 each to:

F. A. BERNHARDT, 460 New Britain Ave., Hartford Conn.

JNO. B. HYMAN, Bureau of Pensions, Washington, D. C.

HERBERT BILLINGS, Farmville, Va.

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DR. WM. GILPIN, Brechin, Ontario, Canada.

Mrs. MARY E. EVERETT, Berkeley Springs, W. Va.

Mrs. LAURA BAILEY, 1312 Garfield Ave., Emporia, Kansas.

JOSHUA F. CROWELL, West Yarmouth, Mass.

O. M. STONE, Cottageville, W. Va.

Mrs. J. H. FORTENBAUGH, Box 454, Mechanicsburg, Pa.

ABEL STEELE, Ferguson, Ontario, Canada.

Mrs. I. E. HILANDS, Bainbridge, Ind.

C. S. AYERS, Macon, Mo.

JOHN GAPER, SR., Paris, Ky.

Award of the Cash Prizes offered on Burpee's Danish "Roundhead" Cabbage.

Heaviest and Best Heads.

First prize of \$25.00 to ABEL STEELE, Ferguson, Ontario, Canada, for head weighing 31 pounds and measuring 49 inches in circumference and 16 inches in diameter.

Second prize of \$10.00 to LEON E. WINN, Nashua, N. H., for head weighing 20 pounds and measuring 41 inches in circumference and 12½ inches in diameter.

For Reports.

First prize of \$10.00 to BEEBE & BOETTCHER, Norwalk, Ohio.

Second prize of \$5.00 to S. E. ABBOTT, East Aurora, N. Y.

Five Prizes of \$2.00 each to:

REV. G. H. A. MURRAY, The Rectory, Hatley, Quebec, Canada.

J. A. SWEET, 200 E. Ninth St., West Bay City, Mich.

G. H. WILLIAMS, East Sound, Wash.

DEAN FERRIS, Peekskill, N. Y.

CHARLEY FRUSH, Appleton, Ohio.

Seven Prizes of \$1.00 each to:

MRS. N. H. HUNT, Palmer, Neb.

J. M. LYON, West Salamanca, N. Y.

W. J. ROCHE, Scott, N. Y.

GEO. S. CHASE, Bennettsburg, N. Y.

W. N. WRIGHT, Boylston Centre, Mass.

W. E. GILLIAM, Farmville, Va.

JACOB MCMAHUS, Broadford, Pa.

First Prize Report.

BEEBE & BOETTCHER, Norwalk, Ohio, November 4, 1902, write: "The new DANISH ROUNDHEAD CABBAGE gave us a very fine crop of large solid heads, averaging a little over fifteen pounds each. To thoroughly test its merits, we planted four rows of one hundred plants each, *Early* and *Late Stonehead*, *Roundhead*, and *Allhead Early*. There was no perceptible difference in the number of good heads, each variety averaging over ninety per cent. of marketable heads. Six of the Roundheads at the end of the row laid side by side and measured seven feet ten inches. *Stonehead Early* brought the most cash, being at the rate of \$360.00 per acre. The *Allhead Early* was not far behind. The other two, being later, did not bring so much cash, though the heads were larger. All who saw the two rows of *Late Stonehead* and *Roundhead*, after a critical inspection, decided in favor of the *Stonehead*. The *Roundhead* weighs a little the most according to size, and is superior to the *Stonehead Late* in keeping qualities. *Stonehead Early* is still our favorite and, in the hands of a practical gardener, is the most valuable cabbage in existence, yet we could not well get along without the other three varieties. From the thorough trial we gave the *Roundhead* we are satisfied that it has merits superior to many other varieties. The large, solid, fine-grained, compact heads are grown on short stems which give it a very handsome appearance. The outside leaves resemble the Baseball, which makes it easy to till and forms a good protection when put away for winter. The head being round or globe shape, gives less coarse leaves about the stem, which improves the quality.

"We think the DANISH ROUNDHEAD CABBAGE is the most valuable for winter if the plants are not set too early, and the three varieties should be classed: summer, fall, and winter. We predict that the *Stonehead Late* and *Early* will be grown more extensively than any other varieties; being so much alike, with their solid white crisp heads, grown on short stems, and following each other in succession, makes them very valuable."

Adapted for Long Keeping.

DEAN FERRIS, Peekskill, N. Y., November 8, 1902, writes: "BURPEE'S DANISH ROUNDHEAD CABBAGE, in shape, size, and weight, resembles a good-sized cannon ball. As early as *Succession* and will yield more pounds to the acre than any other variety; quality the best; particularly adapted for long keeping, shipping, kraut-making, etc. Grows few waste leaves and may be planted closer than many winter varieties."

Every Plant Makes a Model Head.

CHAS. FRUSH, Appleton, Ohio, November 3, 1902, writes: "The plant is of strong vigorous growth and soon begins to spread out after recovering from transplanting. The heads are of fine texture, broad and round, neatly shaped, and of handsome glossy appearance. They are very hard and solid; tender, fine grained, and of exceptionally fine quality. The heads are very uniform in size, form, and coloring, making a very pleasing sight in any well-kept garden. It very seldom bursts and will remain in perfect condition in the field the longest of any cabbage I have ever seen. This cabbage is a remarkably good header,—every plant makes a model head. Considering the form of the heads I believe it will prove to be exceptionally good for winter use when sown late. It matures evenly and has scarcely any loose leaves about the head."

Heads Very Hard and Firm.

MRS. N. H. HUNT, Palmer, Neb., November 3, 1902, writes: "I shall report my results on DANISH ROUNDHEAD CABBAGE: It grows on a stiff stem of medium height; is quite rugged in growth and has heads very firm and hard. I can hardly describe the solid heads, they are so very hard and firm and very few loose leaves, which makes it very easily prepared to cook. I should think it would be fine to keep for winter use, as it is so very solid; it is crisp and tender and cooks quickly. The heads weighed three to five pounds and were of good flavor."

Solid, Round, Handsome Heads.

J. M. LYON, West Salamanca, N. Y., November 5, 1902, writes: "I planted the DANISH ROUNDHEAD CABBAGE seed that you sent me, in rows three feet apart by two feet in the row the last day of May. When the plants were proper size I thinned out, leaving the very best one in each hill; they grew very rapid, of even growth, attaining an average size of very solid, round, handsome eight-pound heads on short upright stems, and not one failed to reach six pounds. *Their standing up straight pleased me better than the Ballheads*, their stem being so long that they begin to top over as soon as the heads are half grown, and when well headed a good portion of them lays flat to the ground which sometimes rots the outer leaves. I notice that the head leaves of the *Roundhead* follow down the leaf-stalk very close to where it grows onto the main stalk, which rounds the heads up smooth, round, and handsome at the base.

"Last year I tested fifteen different kinds of cabbage in my trial grounds, selecting three different kinds for this season, and have raised three acres of cabbage this summer, and no spot in the field will come up to the DANISH ROUNDHEAD, although the three-acre field was better land and better fitted, being well covered with stable manure and I used the best of commercial fertilizer freely."

Seventy-two Tons from Three Acres.

W. J. ROCHE, Scott, N. Y., November 22, 1902, writes: "In making a report to you in regard to the DANISH ROUNDHEAD CABBAGE, I will say that I claim for them to be the best strain of Danish cabbage seed ever offered to the cabbage growers of this country. I have had much experience in growing cabbage and have tried many different varieties of seed, and have never yet had any seed that has done as well as this strain. The pound of seed I had of your company last spring was sown on the 7th day of May, 1902, with a Planet Jr. seed sower, in rows twelve inches apart. May 21st, was hoed for the first time and plants looked fine, all of a dark green, and I think that *every seed that was sown grew*! May 31st we had a very heavy rainfall here that washed about six inches of dirt over half of my bed, so that I now have less than half a pound of this variety to work from. I never raised a bed of plants that did as well as the balance of this bed; the bugs did not affect them as much as they did the other varieties, and with this bed of plants I began setting June 16th; finished setting three acres June 18th. October 16th I began harvesting, and I cut and stored from these three acres seventy-two tons of the finest cabbage that has ever been known to be harvested in this locality."

Prize Reports on Danish "Roundhead,"—Continued.

Of Rapid Compact Growth.

S. E. ABBOTT, East Aurora, N. Y., November 7, 1902, writes: "Last spring I purchased of you a package of DANISH ROUNDHEAD CABBAGE seed. These seeds were planted June 6th in the seed-bed and five days later came up. The plants were transplanted to the field July 5th and proved to be strong growers, for the heads began to form at once. The cabbage is of uniform growth and shows few loose outer leaves, which permits close planting. The heads grew so fast that early in September they were ready for the table; and another point in their favor,—we have yet to find a worm inside the heads. This is probably due to rapid growth and compactness of the leaves. We have used quite a number of the cabbages and find them white and crisp and of sweet delicate flavor, whether cooked or raw. In fact, we have never raised a cabbage which for productiveness, uniformity of growth, size, hardiness, and crispness of the heads and excellent flavor could excel the *Danish Roundhead*."

Bound to be in Great Demand.

REV. G. H. A. MURRAY, The Rectory, Hatley, Quebec, Canada, October 27, 1902, writes: "Your DANISH ROUNDHEAD CABBAGE is the best I have ever tried. Compared with *Ballhead*, it is nearly two weeks earlier; the stems are shorter and the heads more uniform, solid, and of better quality. It is two or three weeks earlier, and the heads are heavier, if not larger, than *Flat Dutch*, *Drumhead*, *Autumn King*, *Surehead*, or *Mammoth*. It is so hardy and grows so rapidly and vigorously that it is proof against frosts and worms which would injure other varieties. *Every plant heads*, and such heads! *Almost as solid as cannon balls*, white, sweet, delicious, and tender, lacking that strong flavor peculiar to the majority of large-headed varieties. Excellent keeper and shipper. Heads seldom, if ever, burst. Every one who saw my cabbage plot admired the two rows of *Roundhead* beyond all the others and it is bound to be in great demand."

Burpee's Danish Roundhead is Worth Double Danish Ballhead, or "Hollander!"

J. A. SWEET, West Bay City, Mich., October 13, 1902, writes: "Of 2700 plants set out all headed up good, something I have never had with other Danish stock. I loaded up 325 heads which tipped the scales at the enormous weight of 2275 pounds. Fetched me \$8.00 per ton, when other cabbage were selling at \$5.00 to \$6.50 per ton. I planted *All Seasons* and *Danish Ballhead* or *Hollander*, and they were not in it with the NEW DANISH ROUNDHEAD. I will get more tons of cabbage from the 2700 than from 5000 of *Hollander*. It is harder heading than the *Hollander* and of quicker growth. I cannot recommend it too highly for winter. It is the only cabbage I intend to grow for late crop next season. Success to the NEW DANISH ROUNDHEAD, or '\$200.00 per acre cabbage!'"

Not a Plant Failed to Head.

G. H. WILLIAMS, East Sound, Wash., October 23, 1902, writes: "BURPEE'S DANISH ROUNDHEAD CABBAGE: Very hard solid heads, very sure to head; short stems, good flavor, medium in season; fine form and beautiful color."

"By careful test and comparison with *Ballhead*, *Early Baseball*, *Late Stonehead*, *Early Stonehead*, and six varieties from other seedsmen, I find it to be fully as hard a head as any sort; not quite so large heads as *Late Stonehead* or *World-Beater*, but earlier to mature than these two or *Ballhead*. I did not have a plant fail to head and find the quality nearly perfect. They were strong and sturdy from the start. It is bound to be the leading variety."

One Hundred Heads from One Hundred Plants.

W. N. WRIGHT, Boylston Centre, Mass., November 3, 1902, writes: "I now write you a few lines in regard to the DANISH ROUNDHEAD CABBAGE which I bought of you last spring and planted. I will say for the cabbage, it is a good sure header. I set out one hundred plants, and there is a good head on each one of them and they are as hard and heavy as they can be. Possibly one barrel weighed 133 pounds without the barrel, and as for their quality, they are excellent for the table and also for market. They are tender, white, and sweet."

Danish Roundhead is "The" Cabbage.

GEO. S. CHASE, Bennettsburg, N. Y., November 3, 1902, writes: "In reporting my experience with the DANISH ROUNDHEAD CABBAGE, would say that it has been a very poor season for cabbage with me, but the *Roundhead* behaved the best of any I have by the side of *Flat Dutch*, *All Seasons*, and *Danish Ballhead*. It has made more good heads, by far for the number planted, than any other kind (but perhaps had a trifle better chance). Some heads are quite small, but a large percentage of them made edible heads which a large percentage of the others failed to do, but some of my cabbage patch was where water stood on it for a long time and was very wet a good share of the season, and nothing could grow under such conditions. But I have quite a good many nice heads of DANISH ROUNDHEAD, for all it has been a very bad year, and I am much pleased with this new strain and think from appearance that it is going to occupy a high position in the list of the leading sorts if not at the head. *If I could have but one kind of cabbage I should take Danish Ballhead*, as I should be sure of a crop if there was any at all, as it is a sure header, being equal at least to the *Danish Ballhead* in that respect and having the advantage of that excellent variety by making larger and better shaped heads, and equals it also in that fine grain, whiteness, sweet flavor, and crispness that no other cabbage I know of equals, and will weigh more than other cabbage of same size heads, and I believe will produce more tons to the acre than any other cabbage, as it is more sure to make solid heads, and not spreading out on the ground so much can be planted closer than most sorts. I let several have a few plants to try, and they all so far report about the same, which is very favorable. One at least (and I am not sure but two) tells me that every plant headed, making good solid heads, but some not very large, for it has been a very unfavorable season,—terribly wet and no real warm weather. I believe DANISH BALLHEAD is the cabbage."

Ten Days Earlier than Ballhead.

W. E. GILLIAM, Farmville, Va., November 6, 1902, writes: "I planted *Danish Ballhead* and *ROUNDHEAD* side by side and gave them the same attention, but the *Roundheads* left the *Ballheads* in the shade. The *Roundheads* are ten or fifteen days earlier than the *Ballheads*, with a great deal larger and more perfect heads. I am not a market gardener, but I have never seen anything to compare with the cabbage I have this year with only ordinary attention. They were worked twice, sprayed twice, and wormed over a few times after they commenced to head. The heads weigh from six to nine pounds and are the firmest, whitest, and most tender heads I ever saw and of the most delicious flavor. Too much cannot be said in its praise."

No Waste to It.

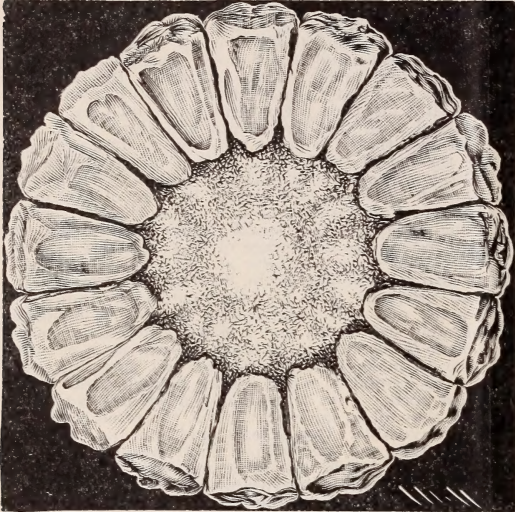
JACOB McMANUS, Broadford, Pa., September 30, 1902, writes: "I will send my report about the DANISH ROUNDHEAD CABBAGE. I sowed the seed in the ground on the 1st of May. Transplanted them in June and had cabbage to eat the last of July. I set out two rows of DANISH ROUNDHEAD CABBAGE and of *Short-Stem Drumhead* and *Surehead*, all at the same time. Gave them all the best treatment I could and the DANISH ROUNDHEAD CABBAGE was 'way ahead of the other cabbage. It is the best cabbage I ever saw. It stands the weather better and there is no waste to it. I can raise as much again of it as I can of the other. I have been raising cabbage for twenty years and I never saw cabbage as firm and head so equal as the DANISH ROUNDHEAD CABBAGE. It is a regular cannon ball in shape and hardness. My neighbors were in to see it and they say it is the nicest cabbage they ever saw. It is white, crisp, and beautiful. I believe it will take the lead in late cabbage. If I live another year I will plant no other kind but DANISH ROUNDHEAD CABBAGE, for there is no waste in it. Some advantages possessed by the new variety are—(1) about three weeks in maturity; (2) it is much shorter stemmed, grows much lower, and has very finely shaped and very few outside leaves, and I think it is sweeter and more tender. The seed of *Burpee's Peppers* I received of you is excellent. I had stalks three feet high and peppers from seven inches long. *Burpee's seeds are all right!*"

Cash Prizes Offered for Competition in 1903.

On the following pages we give particulars regarding the Cash Prizes offered on Six Superb Vegetable Novelties and Three Beautiful Flowers.

For prices and complete descriptions, see THE FARM ANNUAL FOR 1903.

Burpee's WHITE EVERGREEN Sweet Corn.



BURPEE'S NEW "WHITE EVERGREEN" SWEET CORN.
Section of Ear, engraved from a Photograph.

**\$25.00 for a postal card,—
and we supply the postal!**

Introduced entirely upon the recommendations of the originator and ourselves, we naturally want to "prove by others" next season that BURPEE'S WHITE EVERGREEN is all that we claim. Therefore we offer cash prizes for

Postal Card Reports. For the best report written on a postal card and mailed to us in September or October, 1903, we will pay a **first prize of \$25.00**; for the next best a **second prize of \$15.00**, followed by a **third prize of \$10.00**, fourth and fifth prizes of **\$5.00 each**. For the five "next best" reports we will pay **\$2.00 each**, while to the senders of the thirty "next best" postal card reports we will send each "**a clean crisp dollar bill**,"—in all, forty prizes amounting to one hundred dollars.

With each order, whether for a packet or peck, we send a **self-addressed Postal Card**. Should more than forty send reports that we decide to use in next year's catalogue, we shall send to each and every one whose report (or any extract from same) is so used, a like cash prize of "**a clean crisp one dollar bill!**"

We want testimony from every section, to establish immediately the **unequaled value of BURPEE'S WHITE EVERGREEN**.

Will you help us?

A Prize Offer on CHALK'S EARLY JEWEL Tomato.

Will you test the New Chalk's Early Jewel Tomato in comparison with Sparks' Earliana and kindly report the result to us?

If so, we shall be pleased to make suitable acknowledgment. To the writer of the **best Postal Card report** we will send a first prize of **ten dollars**; to the second best **five dollars**; to the third and fourth best we will send **\$2.50 each**, while to the **twenty "next best"** we will send **one dollar each**. These postal cards must be received *not later than October 10, 1903*, and to every one who sends such a report and fails to receive a prize we shall send a due bill which will be accepted the same as **ten cents cash**, for seeds selected from our 1904 catalogue,—so every writer is sure of getting something for his trouble. We are eager to know the opinions of growers everywhere as to the relative value of CHALK'S EARLY JEWEL and the famous Sparks' Earliana. Personally, we prefer Chalk's Early Jewel, especially upon heavy land, but are not prepared yet to say that it will always surpass Sparks' Earliana upon light sandy soil. Therefore we await with interest the results of this season's trials, under all the various conditions of soil and climate, throughout America.

New Potato.—VERMONT GOLD COIN.

The hardest, most vigorous in growth, most productive, and the best in table quality of all potatoes, it is **unequaled for main crop!** These are strong claims but are **absolutely true**,—not only of our own knowledge but in the unbiased opinion of our friend EDWARD L. COY, who is recognized as the highest authority on Potatoes in America.

Planted with other main-crop potatoes the shoots of the GOLD COIN started more quickly and grew more vigorously; they are thus comparatively safe from attacks of the early potato bugs in the spring, as they soon grow too large to be cut off by these insects. The vines are strong with exceptionally *luxuriant deep-green foliage*, making a healthy growth when other varieties are cut down by blight. The tubers are all of good size and lie closely together in the hill. While the vigorous growth and great productiveness will commend the VERMONT GOLD COIN to all potato planters, we consider the *handsome appearance* and *superior quality* equally important. The GOLD COIN will always bring the *highest price on market*. In Mr. Coy's comparative trial, the GOLD COIN yielded *one-third more than any other*, while at

FORDHOOK FARMS we found the new VERMONT GOLD COIN to be the *quickest and finest cooking potato we have ever tested as well as* **the most "superbly delicious" in flavor**.

We wish this valuable new potato to be planted in every section and for 1903 offer—

\$250.00 in Cash Prizes.

Beginning with Cash Prizes of **\$50.00 and two of \$25.00 each**, there are offered **\$160.00** for largest yields from one pound of the seed; **\$30.00** for the finest tubers, and **\$60.00** for the best descriptions of this new potato. **Our Special New Leaflet for 1903** (sent only to purchasers of "VERMONT GOLD COIN") gives list of these prizes in detail and also tells how to get largest yields.

Burpee's Superb Golden NAMELESS ONION.



The usual form is shown in the illustration herewith, although some of the bulbs are more roundly globe-shaped. The tendency, however, unlike other globe onions, is to become *elongated* instead of flattened. The skin is thin, uniformly of a beautiful light golden yellow.

\$25.00 for a Name. So unique and valuable an onion *ought* to have an appropriate name! With each packet we enclose a PRINTED FORM, to be returned to us *prior to September 20, 1903* (so as to be in time for next year's catalogue), upon which you are requested to mention what you consider the most suitable name by which this onion shall be known hereafter. To the sender of **the best name** (the one we decide to adopt) we will pay a prize of twenty-five dollars. ~~On~~ On this same PRINTED FORM you are requested also to fill in your *honest opinion*, after growing this new onion, as compared with existing varieties in competition for—

Prizes for Reports. We will pay **\$25.00 cash** as first prize for the best report; a second prize of **\$15.00**; third prize of **\$10.00**, and fourth prize of **\$5.00**. To the senders of the **twenty "next best"** reports we shall send each a *clean crisp dollar bill*!

No Blanks! Every report will be acknowledged, *the same day as received*, by a postal card, which, should you fail to be awarded one of these prizes, will serve as a *due bill for fifteen cents*,—the same as cash in payment for any seeds ordered to this amount, next winter or spring. In other words, *we want reports*, and by this new plan *practically give the sample packets for advance trial*, as, if you will take the slight trouble to mail us your report, you will receive *this due bill, good for the amount you paid*,—provided you fail to win one of the cash prizes.



Burpee's Large New NAMELESS LETTUCE



A most magnificent large crisp-head lettuce, now first offered for advance trial, which *is sure to become extremely popular and highly esteemed* wherever grown. In habit and season it somewhat resembles the *New York or Wonderful*, but the leaves are a *much lighter and more attractive shade of green*, while they are *smooth and glossy*, of a heavier texture.

The plants are of strong quick growth, growing twelve inches or more across in rich, moist soil, and making a **large, conical, compact head.**



The inner leaves are beautifully blanchd, crisp and tender, and have a *mild, sweet flavor, even in the hottest summer weather*, when it is most difficult to grow fine well-blanchd lettuce. This new variety is *equally as crisp as the Iceberg and as large as the Giant Glacier*, but with smoother, heavier leaves than the latter. *Sold only in sealed packets.*

\$25.00 for a Name! To the purchaser of one or two packets who suggests the most appropriate name which shall be adopted, we will send our check for **\$25.00 cash.** ~~With~~ With each packet we enclose a blank PRINTED FORM upon which you are invited to write the name suggested and also to give a *brief description* in competition for the following—

Cash Prizes for Reports. For the best brief reports of this distinct new lettuce we will pay a **first prize of \$25.00 cash**; second prize **\$15.00**; third prize **\$10.00**; fourth prize **\$5.00**; for the **twenty "next best"** reports we will pay *one dollar each.* ~~We~~ We want reports from all sections, and in order to encourage such reports (telling the *plain truth* as to success or failure) we shall send to every one who does not win one of the prizes offered above a *due bill for fifteen cents*, which will be accepted the same as cash for any seeds selected from our next year's catalogue,—thus it really *costs you nothing* to try this grand new lettuce in advance of its general introduction, while you have a chance to win one of the twenty-five-dollar prizes. All reports must be mailed on or before September 20, 1903. *Please use the PRINTED FORM.*

Burpee's New "Nameless" Sweet Pea,— "Double-Stemmed Many-Flowered White."



The most unique novelty in large-flowering tall Sweet Peas yet produced! Some idea of its remarkable character may be obtained from the illustration, which has been engraved from a photograph. The flowers are pure white, uniformly of the largest size, and are borne six to eight and frequently as many as ten to twelve large flowers on a long stout stem. The stems are frequently double; that is, two stems seem to be united in growth throughout their entire length. The flowers are well placed near top of stem and generally all facing one way.

The vines are most profuse in bloom, being of unusual vigor, as is shown from the fact that about half the flowers have double standards.

\$25.00 for a Name! We want an appropriate name for this unique novelty, which is sure to create a furore among growers of Sweet Peas on two continents. Were we to follow the custom of our German friends in giving a Latin botanical name to all new varieties we should have to call it *Lathyrus odoratus alba magnifica grandiflora multiflora*! We want a short American name that will give, however, some idea of its remarkable character. We want also opinions as to its character, and will pay **ten dollars** for best report; **five dollars** for second best report; **two dollars each** for five "next best" reports, and **one dollar each** for the ten next best reports. We desire to have this new MANY-FLOWERED DOUBLE-STEMMED "NAMELESS" WHITE distributed as widely as possible and cannot allow any purchaser to have more than two packets for his own planting.

Burpee's New "Nameless" Mixture of "Red-Spurred" Nasturtiums

A most beautiful type of climbing Nasturtiums, very profuse in blooming, and remarkable for rich brilliancy of colors. Some of the flowers are deep orange, spotted with blood-red; others are creamy white blotched with orange-scarlet, while there are also bright flowers of a brilliant red, splashed with yellow. The flowers are further ornamented each with a red spur, contrasting beautifully with the dark-colored handsome foliage.

\$25.00 for a Name! To the customer who suggests the best name we will pay a **prize of \$25.00**, while we will also pay **ten dollars** for the best report, and **other prizes** for other reports,—*exactly as outlined above for the New "Nameless" Sweet Pea.*

BURPEE'S
NEW "NAMELESS"
MANY-FLOWERED
WHITE SWEET PEA,—
from a Photograph of one Stem.

Burpee's Blue Bedding New "Nameless" Petunia.

See descriptive remarks on page 134 of BURPEE'S FARM ANNUAL FOR 1903. This beautiful, small-flowered, profuse blooming new Petunia is sure to become most popular, and we will gladly pay **\$25.00 for a suitable name**, which we shall adopt, while we will pay a prize of **five dollars** for the best brief report, followed by two prizes of **\$2.50 each** and five of **one dollar each** for next best reports. All names suggested and reports must be received by *September 10, 1903*.



A New Mustard.

This variety we are this year sending gratis for trial to our customers as long as the supply of seed lasts.

This is a distinct variety, *exclusively our own*, which we intend to introduce in 1904. Therefore we are desirous to have reports and offer several prizes. We will pay **ten dollars cash** for the best brief report (or description) received in *September next* (or not later than October 15th—so as to be in time for next year's catalogue); a second prize of **five dollars cash**, followed by ten prizes of **one dollar each** for the ten "next best" reports.

